# Man charged with girl's murder in Guildford bomb attack

man was charged yesterday with the murder of a young VRAC recruit who died in the Guildford public house ombings in October. He is to appear at the magistrates' ourt in the town today. For security reasons his name and ther personal details have not been disclosed. Ten other men nd two women were still being questioned by police officers

in Guildford last night in connexion with the bombings, which claimed the lives of five people and injured 65.

Marian and Dolours Price, who are serving life sentences at Brixton for their part in the Old Bailey car bombings, vesterday called off their hunger strike. In Northern Ireland. custody orders have been issued for 18 men.

# Police interviewing 12 people

an Clive Borrell ildford

A man is to appear at Guild-a magistrates' court today arged with the murder of a mg WRAC recruit who died en a public house in the town bombed eight weeks ago. en other meu and two neu were still being ques-ted by detectives in Guild-dlast night in convexion with bombiog of two Guildford ilic bouses, io which 65 ple were injured.

Ir Christopher Rowe, Assist-Chief Constable of Surrey, that for security reasons would not disclose the name any other personal details the man who had been rged. The charge names Miss bline Slater, aged 17, a rait of only three weeks, of mock, Staffordshire, as the

liss Slater, with many other ns retruits from the Queen abeth Training Depot at Idford, was attending a belay party in the Horse Groom public house, North et, Guildford, on October hen a 10 lh gelignite bomb oded in the crowded saloon

r Rowe stated that during weekend about 20 people been taken from their es in the Londoo area and tioned at Guildford in con-su with the two bomb lents. The second bomb was gards from the first, in the n Stars public house. Ice investigating the bomb ents are looking for other le but do not expect any tective Chief Superintendent James Neville, bead of Scotland Yard's bomb squad, spent many hours at Guildford last night helplog the Surrey detectives interview those who had been desired.

had been derained. Mr Peter Matthews, Chief Constable of Surrey, burried to Guildford police station last night soon after the man had been charged. I understand that the Surrey detectives expect further charges in connexion with the bombinus later this with the bombings later this

Custody for 18: After three weeks in which only two men were detained without trial at the Maze prison at Loog Kesh. Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, has issued imerim custody orders for 18

His action, reversing the policy to phase out interoment, comes after two mooths of sectarian warfare in Belfast in which more than 20 people bave been killed. Most of them were Romao Catbolics.

Most of the new detainees are Catholics, too. Of the 18 men. 16 are members of the minority community and only two are Protestants

Expulsion orders: Siuce the new anti-terrorist measures became law at midnight on Friday, the Home Secretary bas signed six orders to exclude undesirables from Great Britain (a Staff Reporter writes).

It is understood that in spite of intensive inquiries only one man has been detailed so far

under the new Act. Since the measures allow a 48-bour appeal period, be bad not been named last night.

# Price sisters abandon their hunger strike in jail

By Rohert Fisk and Tim Jones

Dolours and Marian Price, the London car hombers, have ended their bunger strike in Brixton prison after three days. It was acutely embarrass-ing to the Provisional IRA. They took their decision after a visit from their father, Mr Albert Price, who is believed to bave told them that if they did not end their protest they would be insalucted to do so by the Provisionals.

Mr Price, who saw the girls at Brixton on Saturday night, would make no commeot but the Home Office confirmed yesterday that the sisters had taken a meal, believed to bave been cold beef and chips.

Provisionals in Belfast and Duhlin had decided that nothing would be gained if the sisters died, that Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary, had no intention of transferring them to prison in Ulster before Christmas whatever the pressure, and that public opinion in the Roman Catholic community. the Roman Catholic community in Northern Ireland would not behind the sisters after the Birmingham bombings.

A Belfast republican sympathizer who keeps in close contact with the Provisionals said yesterday that he bad never realized the sisters had not obtained a written guarantee from the Home Secretary inquiries only ooe en detaihed so far ew Act. Since the ow a 48-bour appeal ad not been named

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the British would not 'wear' the girls' transfer to the Six

Mr David O'Connell, the IRA chief of staff, suggested that the sisters might be told to give up their protest, in an interview in the Dublin newspaper, The Sunday Press.

IRA supporters in Bulfast are expressing the view that after the fires at the Maze prison at Long Aesn and the subsequent street demonstrations, people would have been in no mood to stage more protests over Christmas.

Ooc Republican said that the sisters' mother was ill in the Royal Victoria bospital io Belfast and that Mr Price was too old to stand the strain of another prolonged fast by his daughters. The Sinn Fein organization, be said, already bad "enough on its plate". that the IRA's campaign is to continue.

The Provisionals, he said, were still "carrying out an investigation" into the Birmingvestigation" into the Birmingham bombings, and the letter-box bombing in London had not been ordered by IRA leaders. He also said the IRA were not involved in the revenge sectarian assassinations in Northern Ireland, a claim which is likely, to he regarded in Belfast in much the same way as statements the same way as statements from Protestant extremist from Protestant extremist groups saying that they bave no part in sectarian warfare.
Mr O'Connell was remarkably forthcoming in his views on civilian bombings, although

two occasions there was "a long pause" hefore he ans-wered their questions. "The wered their questions. The efficacy, apart altogether from the morality, and one is not saying that the morality must he ignored, it cannot, but, dealing just with the efficacy of hombing civiliaos, it bus been shown that it is not of great worth. . . to bomb civilians, just because they are civilians,

would class as murder. Of the sectarian killiogs in Ulster, Mr O'Coonell declared: None of those are Provisional IRA reprisals. We are com-pletely satisfied that come of our units are involved in the shooting of innocent Protesactions in the least.

In Dublin the Official Sion Fein, the political wing of the Official IRA, has again condemaed the Birmingham bombings. Mr Thomas MacGiolla, the Sino Fein president, described Mr O'Connell's refer ence to investigations as "a sick joke". He called on the IRA to end its hombing campuign and said that leaders of the Protestant private armies should order their men to stop future sectarian assassioations.

"No Christmas truce": A representative of the Provisional IRA's Belfast Brigade has said it will not declare a Christmas truce this year (the Press Association reports). The Press Association reports). The last such truce was in 1972.

The Belfast Brigade said: "Other truces have been violated by the military who used

the period of peace to make mass arrests during raids on Catholic areas".

# Herr Schmidt's talks with other European leaders improve prospects for EEC Paris summit

Brussels, Dec 1 The prospects for the furth-coming EEC summlt meeting in Paris appeared brighter tonight after a series of talks hetween Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chaocellor, and other Europeao leaders.

At the eod of a two-hour meeting to Brussels with Mr. Len Tiodemans, the Belgian Prime Mioister, Herr Schmidt told reporters be thought real progress could be made in Paris on a number of outstanding points. Herr Schmidt was on his way home after his weekend talks with Mr Wilson at Chequers. Last week he conferred by tele-phone with President Giscard d'Estaing and further contacts. d'Estaing and further contacts with European leaders are placed before the summit meeting, arranged to take place on December 9 and 10.

The Chancellor was particularly gratified at the warm welcome he received at the Pipes of peace: Mr Wilson and Herr Schmidt at a press confer-Labour Party conference. Some ence before the West Germao Chancellor left Loodon vesterday, agreement on the Labour Gov-erument's EEC renegotiation affairs." At all costs, the monetary questions like the demands appears to have been failures of earlier summits in problem of recycling petroworked out at Chequers, and the subject may not now figure prominently on the Paris summit ageoda. Originally, Mr Wilson was expecting the sunmit to make some substantial progress on this point. Mr Tindemans told report-

ers that the summit must be made to be a success. It must fix a ouother of concrete objectives "limited in their scope but realistic and realizable in the present state of European

failures of earlier summits in Paris in 1972 and last year's Copenhagen meeting must be

Informed sources said that the areas where agreement was most likely in Paris included setting up of the longawaited European regional de-velopment fund, a timetable for direct elections to the European Parliament, regular informal meetings of EEC heads of governments and heads of state, and progress on economic and

problem of recycling petro-dollars.

Other institutional questions, like the mure regular use of majority voting in the Council of Ministers are likely to be shelved for the time heing. The British, in particular, were opposed to this idea on the ground that it could underowne their sovereignty uver some EEC decisions.

Schmidt-Wilson talks, and Summit package proposal.

### Vorster trip to Abidian in search of detente?

From Michael Knipe Cape Town, Dec 1

The South African Government has declined to comment on reports that Mr Vorster, the Prime Minister, recently made a secret visit to Abidjan, the capital of the Ivory Coast.

The trip is believed to bave been connected with recent indi-cations of a more pragmatic approach to black Africa and a developing detente with Zumbia.

Because of the sensitivity of hoth black and white gover, ments the diplomatic moves have been shrouded in secrecy. However, according to a report in Die Burger, the Nationalist Party newspaper in the Cape Province, Mr Vorster, accom-panied by 14 Government offichartered South African Air-ways Boeing 707, which took off at 3 am from the D. F. Malan airport at Cape Town two months ago. A false flight plan

The South African delega-tion is said to have had talks with President Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory Coast and President Leopold Senghor of Senegal at Yamoussoulto, President Houphouet-Bnigny's estate. The French African states have been the most sympathetic to the idea of a dialogue with South Africa, but in the past there has heep intense opposition from the rest of black Africa.

According to the South Africao reports, West German diplomats assisted in the dis-cussions when negotiations looked like breaking down.

Die Burger reported that the black leaders gave Mr Vorster a surprisingly favourable recep-

the rescue effort," he said. Overseas selling prices Republic of Ireland Relgion. BFr Austria. Sch. 15: Relgion. BFr Denmark. DKr. 3:50: Fulland. 12:50: France. Frs. 2:50: Fulland. 14:50: Green. Twik. 1:60: Green. Twik. 1:60: Green. Twik. 1:75: Italy. Lire. 350: Luxbong. Li 18: Malla. 9c. Nerway. 4:00: Portugal. Fsc. 17:50: Spain. 15:1: Sweden. Skr. 3:50: Switcorld. Skr. 3:50: Switcorld. Skr. 2:50: Switcorld. Skr. 2:50: Switcorld. Washington, Dec 1 .- Sheriff's officers said they had sealed the crash site on orders of federal security agents from

### Two widows fight to save their husbands' bad name From Charles Hargrore

Paris, Dec 1

Two respected members of the French establishment are fighting, 40 years after the event a posthumous legal battle for the authorship of a sensa-tion of erotic literature of the 1930s.

The widow of M Robert Denuël, author and publisher, who was assassinated in 1945, and that of M Robert Coureau, an industrialist, who died in 1973, claimed last week before a Paris court, each for her husband, the authorship of Prelude charnel.

Prelude charnel was to the 1930s what Histoire d'O another

work written under a pseudonynt was to erotic literature in the 1950s, and Enonancelle today. It was published under the pseudonym of Robert Sermaise.
"At the rime," Me Kiejman, for Mine Coureau, told the

court, " to be the author of an erotic work was not without Moreover, at that time risk. Moreover, at that time M Coureau was a very serious man, a graduate of the Ecole Polytechnique, a grand bour-geois, president and managing director of 23 industrial firms in eastern France, and author of several weighty tomes on industry.

"In his moments of leisure, he wrote Prelude charnel; but could nut take the risk of acknowledging authorship with nut damaging a solid social

By present day standards, the

hnok would seem quite harm-less. It was the story of his wedding night related by a nephew to his nocle, counsel explained.

Notions of morality having, meanwhile, undergooe chaoge. M Courcau, who was then over 80 and retired, decided in 1970 tu reap the popular acclain to which he felt entitled for his literary escapade.

Me Niejman produced a numher of documents allegedly proving the authorship of his client's husband.

On his side, Me Rozelar-Vigier pleaded that the style of the work bore the undoubted mark of the hand of M Denoël, a great amatem of harrock room stories, and practical jokes.

The presiding ladge ruled that the court would give judgment in January, when it had had time tu read the work, visibly amused by this rearguard battle of authors, the judge added that it was strange that a treatise on the fiesh should give rise to such difficulties of incarnation.

### Lucan report groundless

Cape Town, Dec 1 .- Cape Town police today described as groundless a report that Lord Lucan, who is wanted in connexion with the murder of his children's namy, mas in South Africa.

# die as Boeing crashes near US base in bad weather

ngton, Dec 1 ans-World Airlines Boeing ans 93 people on board on the Blue Ridge raios west of Washington forning. There were no

is of wind up to 50 mph a a suburh of Washington, jused the aircraft in be id to Dulles Internacional t, 20 miles away in Vir-It was a regular flight ndianapolis, Indiana, and topped on the way at bus, Obio. There were 86 gers and a crew of seven

suports report that they mact with the airliner at er, five miles north of a called Upperville in ri virginia.

e is reported to be a Government installation not Weather, a mile and from the site of the crash. egested that it is one of erground command posts h the Government might red in ivartime. But a n spokesman denied it the site.

Beeing came down in a wooded area, and rescue by foul weather. The idge Mountains are the othills of the Appala-The crash site is about sporth-west of Washing-

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# Smith 'emissary' seeks MP's view on Rhodesia

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remained in the roadway and the rest of the aircraft was and rain make examination of 300 feer away among the trees. He said there were bodies every as in the afternoon fog came as in the afternoon for the said there were bodies every as in the afternoon for the said there were bodies every as in the afternoon for the said there were bodies every as in the afternoon for the said there were bodies every and the said the said there were bodies every and the said the said

ed to investigate the my that Mr Joho Stone-MP, who vanished two Mr Arthur Bottomley, Lahour MP for Middlesbrough. East, and a former Secretary of State for Commonwealth Affairs, has had an approach from an unidentified Rhodesian seeking his views on the Rhodesian situation on behalf of Mr lan Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister. Mr Bottomlay was he thinks the approach is ago, may have heen an, his former parliaprivate secretary said dd bave been desby the Malia.

Miliam Molloy, Lahour

Baling, North, who ser-Bottomley says be thinks the approach is the result of new pressure on Mr Smith to get a constitutional settlement, caused by the rapidly changing situation in southern Africa. Minister of Posts and municarions, said the MP had made enemies

#### disclosed vesterday stonehouse's car was Arab terrorists kill in the 100lb bomb at Heathrow Airport Muslim in error Commons last mooth

Two Al Fatah gunmen looking for Israel hostoges in a bouse near the Lebanese horder killed a man and wounded his wife hefore finding out from the couple's 10-year-old daughter that the family were Circassian Muslims. They told the child they were sorry and surrendered to Israel Page 6

# Early Smithfield start

ludging of about 100 cattle at the Royal Smithfield Show began yesterday, a day early, hecause of pressure on slanghterhouse space brought about by farmers rushing to sell their stock.

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### Growing redundancy fears in car industry

Firemen search amid the wreckage of the Boeing 727 which crashed near Washington yesterday killing 93.

from

There is no immediate explan-

ation for the crasb, although

down

As thousands of car workers stay away from work today because of strikes or layoffs concern contioued to mount about employment prospects against a background of steadily declining sales. Strong grounds exist for the belief that redundancies similar to those now being experieoced in the United States and Europe could be on the way here.

Test century by Greig Tony Greig scored 110 runs in England's total of 265 on the third day of the first Test march in Brisbane, Australia, attempting to consolidate a first innings lead of 44, finished on the defensive, losing two

wickets for 51 in their second ioniogs.

# Nationalization Bill

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In an endeavour to limit parliamentary opposition to nationalization measures the Government is expected to table a single Bill early next year, embracing aircraft, shipbuilding, and marine engineering. But Mr Benn plans to publish a new Industry Bill before the Christmas recess, incorporating provisions for the National Enter-erise Roard. Page 17

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### Ex-dictator's wife accused of fraud

denied Mount Weather.

A military officer actiog as rumours the base had bampered

spokesman for the General

Services Administration (GSA)

said in Washington that Mount

Weather was a classified instal-

lation operated by the GSA for the Office of Preparedness. He refused to describe the base or

spokesman

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disclose its purpose.

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Mrs Despina Papadopoulos, wife of the former dictator, Mr George Papadopoulos. was remanded in custody yesterday accused of defraudiog the state. A former confidential Government typist she was accused of continuing to receive her salary after abandoning her work to marry Mr Papa-

rescue efforts because of its secrecy. "We provided ropes,

trucks and personnel to help in

Defence cuts: Labour left-wingers are unlikely to be satisfied with the results of the Government's review. 2

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Tokyo: Japanese Government crisis deepens after deadlock over who should become new Prime Minister.

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right through the meal.

# **Terrorist net closes** but many sought have fled the country

By Tim Jones
As police yesterday investigated the London bomb outrage on Saturday it became clear that many men and women who would fall within the new anti-terrorist laws have fled the country.

A bomb thrown into The Talbot public bouse, in Little Chester Street, Belgravia, bit the brickwork before exploding, and it was only thanks to the had aim of the terrorist that damage and injuries were no worse.

better-aimed second, device, which smashed through a window into the crowded bar, fell on to the floor but failed to explode.

Five people were treated in bospital but none was

Each bomb contained about 211b of explosives. The attacks followed the same patrern as the bombings at the Victory Club and Brooks's Club in Lon-don in October,

The Talbot, said: "I think the attackers knew that this was a crowded family pub on Satur-day night". Only capital punishment would stop such outrages.

Mr Jack French, licensee of two public houses nearby, said he thought that managers of local breweries would meet today to decide what precautions could be taken.

At Heathrow airport Special Branch officers met all incoming flights from Ireland and all baggage and hand luggage was closely examined.

In the number one terminal, where Irish flights leave, bomb precautions include the removal of doors from public telephone boxes and the sealing of letter boxes. Passengers will have to hand in letters at the airport post office.
Six men were detained and

at Heathrow on questioned Saturday released.

# Big arms find by Ulster troops in Newry search

YOUR CHRISTMAS TELEPHONE

area of co Down yesterday.

Many men from three Ulster Defence Regiment hattalions, backed by Army belicopters, took part in a search which lasted several bours.

Newry is four miles from the border. The area south of the town is regularly the scene of armed assaults.

Customs nost bomb: Police in co Donegal were interviewing three men last night after a bomb wrecked a British customs post at Killea, on the main Londonderry-Letterkenny road vesterday. No one was hurt. Liverpool arrests: Six people were charged with causing a call saying a bomb was breach of the peace after to go off in a public bouse.

Security natrols discovered stuffles during a right-wing 113 sticks of explosives, three rifles and more than 80 rounds of ammunition in the Newry George Best held hoaxer: Mr George Best held hoaxer: Mr George Best, the former Manchester United footballer, arrested a man he heard using the word "bomb" in a telephone call from a Manchester botel, Manchester City magis-

trates were told on Saturday. Mr Best became suspicious when be heard a man making a call ask for the hotel's private number. When he heard the word "homb" in a second call, he arrested the man and called the police.

Joseph Aldridge. aged 51. of Withington Road, Whalley Range, Manchester, was jailed for three months after be admitted making a threatening call saying a bomb was about

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Switzerland, The Netherlands, USA, West Germany.

New Year will be accepted from 8,30 am today.

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day, December 2 between 8.30 am and 10.30

### Pupils lured into IRA, minister complains -From Robert Fisk

Belfast

Mr Patrick Cooney, the Irish Minister for Justice, bas warned parents in the republic that their teenage children are in danger of being lured into the IRA. A few teachers, he said, bad introduced "IRA philo-sopby" into the classroom to indoctrinate pupils.

Free drinks, cigarettes and gifts of money were made to trap youngsters into joining the Provisionals. They were then intimidated and terrorized to prevent them from leaving.

Mr Cooney does not always make statements with the authothe rest of the Irisb Cahinet but was nevertheless primarily responsible for the anti-IRA legislation introduced in the Dail in Dublin last Friday.

He was speaking in west Mayo on a thame which other Irish ministers bave been expounding for several months: that the population in the South cannot remain divorced from

Mrs Rita Childers widow of the Irish President who died two weeks ago, spoke yesterday two weeks ago, spoke yesterday of the "almost unbelievable degradation of the presidency". She was referring to a press report, printed, she said, without her permission, which described her as a favoured presidential candidate of at least

one political party. No one denied that, Mrs Childers said, and no one moved to protect the office of President. Her intention, announced last Wednesday, to run as a nonparty candidate if she did not receive a nomination from the party was made without contact with any party or with an inter-

mediary.
On Friday night it was decided that Mr Carroll O'Daly (Cearbhall O'Dalaigh), the former Chief Justice and Attorney General, should be the fifth President of Ireland. In Belfast last night a Roman Catholic man aged 70 was seriously ill in bospital after an assassination squad bad broken

International calls

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But please note that bookings will be accepted for Christmas Day only if you

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the morning, beaten him up, stabbed him in the bead and chest and shot him three times. The man, Mr George Devlin, who owns an unbolstery business next to his home in Whiteabbey, seems to have fought off

Two other men were shot in Northern Ireland during the weekend a Roman Catholic was injured in the knees in Lurgan. co Armagh, and a policeman on foot patrol with a colleague in Londonderry was shot in the chest Last night his condition was improving.
A suggestion at the Labour

into his suburban home during Party conference on Saturday the morning, beaten him up, by Mr Rees, Secretary of State stabbed him in the bead and for Northern Ireland, thar Roman Catholics would be in danger in Ulster if the British withdrew was condemned by Mr William Craig's Vanguard Party yesterday as an "ill-Party yesterday as an "ill-considered remark", since be seemed to be concerned only for the safety of the Roman

Catholic nopulation. The Orange order also issued a statement saying that Mr Rees should ask himself who bad been maimed in Birmingham and Guildford.

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### Authors in march against library closure

Authors and artists led nearly 300 people in a march through Lewes on Saturday in

protest at an East Sussex County Council decision to close one of its two libraries in the county town.

With placards bearing slogans such as "Save our library" and "Books before bureancracy" they delivered a perition with 850 signatures to petition with 850 signatures to the county library, which is in Southdown House, St Anne's Crescent, a former private house.

The county council proposes bute the stock to its other libraries. It says that the library in Albion Street, run by the town council before local government reorganization, was recently enlarged and can serve the needs of the town and district.

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Opponents of the scheme say the extensions were to cope with overcrowded conditions. They also say that 7,000 books have been sent to the Alhion Street branch before the scheme bas received final approval of the county council.

The petition was accorded by The petition was accepted by members of the staff at South-down House in the absence of Mr John Allen, the county librarian.

### Possible site for **British Library**

A district of London near King's Cross is to be investi-gated as a bome for the planned Britisb Library. Greater Loodon Council and Camden Council bave agreed that the site near the British Museum which bas been earmarked for more than 20 years, is no longer suitable for the library.

BMA cuts costs The British Medical Associa-

tion is making cuts expected to save £100,000 in its running costs, but wherever possible they will be only where aternative services are available.

Power cuts feared Britain's coal stocks could be

and bring widespread nower cuts this winter, Mr Patrick Jenkin, shadow Secretary for Energy, said on Saturday at Woolacombe, Devon.

Young Liberal rebuke South-east England Young Liberals at their annual meeting ar Worthing yesterday condemned the Liberal Party for lack of action over its " status of women" campaign.

Road deaths

A woman was killed and a man was seriously injured when their car hit the parnpet of a bridge at an M4 interchange near Winnersh, Berkshire, yes-terday. Another woman died in a collision on the A41, near Hemel Hempstead, Hertford-

Deep freeze sheen

Sheep stealing in Scotland is increasing, with Argylishire apparently worst affected. National Farmers' Union executives, who are asking chief constables for more protection, blame increased purchases of deep freezers.

# NUS fear of police 'spies' at debate

From Tim Devlin Education Correspondent

The National Union of Students yesterday expressed fears that members of the Special Branch will attend today's debate by the union on the IRA's bombing campaign, which is to be beld in closed session at Margate.

It said that some Nortbern Ireland delegates to the conference also feared that if they dehated in public they would be in danger of retaliation when they returned bome.

The management of the town's

Winter Gardens, where the conference of about a thousand delegates is being beld, denied that it was allowing in members of the Special Branch. The only people allowed in were delegates, visitors and members of the press. Security was tight and the only entrance was securely manned.

About a dozen members of the Winter Gardens staff were also in the huilding and might have been mistaken for Snecial Branch men, it said.

However, later two security guards employed by Margate Corporation were renlaced by

wo police officers.

Mr Patrick Braidy, president of the union of students in Ireland based in Dublin, which has 55,000 members, said: "There is a real danger that if what Northern Ireland students say in debate in Margate is re-ported they could well be in danger of retaliation when they return to Northern Ireland."

National Union Students is likely to adopt a strong policy against tha IRA's bombing campaign. Students from Birmingham University will lead the attack against "the hypocritical policy" which it alleges the union bas

nursned.

Mr Andrew Vallance-Owen, president of the university's Guild of Students, is likely to point out that in 1972 the NUS sunnorted 'resistance to the Army and nolice and acts of "self-defence" committed by both wings of the IRA. Mr Vallance-Owen was one of the nursned. Vallance-Owen was one of the medical students who belped at the city's general hospital dur-ing the recent bombings Mr John Randall, president

of the stodents' union, said that of the stodents' union, said that after taking legal advice from the National Conneil for Civil Liberties, they bad decided to hold today's debate in private because the anti-terrorist legislation was "ill deficed".

The most significant step taken so far in the three-day conference was the adoption of a campaign by female members

campaign by female members of the union to abolish all forms discrimination against women o higher education.

Miss Susan Shpman, the only woman on the union's national executive, said that some colleges, particularly medical ones, had a quota system of admissions which discriminated of education still banned women wearing trousers and jewelry and technical colleges insisted on women doing courses on deportment in their secretarial

department in their secretarial departments.

The campaign was judged to be a resounding success and resolutions passed included one which would give pregnant students a minimum of 12 weeks materoity leave with no loss of grant.

loss of grant.

Margate police said yesterday they would be taking no action against a student who threw a cannabis reefer on to the rostrum of the hall during a noisy debate on drugs. Communist elected: Mr Colin Beardon, President of University Students' Essex University Students' Union and a Communist, won an election for a vacancy on the 17 strong executive, increasing the party's representation to four (the Press Association reports).

# Defence cuts unlikely to satisfy Labour left

Political Correspondent fl,000m a year, are unlikely to be satisfied when Mr Mason, of any of our major west allies.

Secretary of State for Defence, announces the result of the That was an important process. Government's defence review iu

the Commons tomorrow. He will stand by the Labour age proportion of the gr manifesto pladge that in bring-ing about a realignment of de-other Nato allies (excluding fence spending among Britain's European allies there will be a reduce defence spreduction in spending of several £1,180m a year. hundred million pounds over a period.

The latest reminder to Mr

Mason of left-wing views is a Commons early-day motion, tabled by Miss Josephine Richardson, MP for Earking, a member of the Tribune group, and signed by more than 90 labour MPs Labour MPs.

It states that the serious economic position outlined in the Budget adds urgency to acting on a defence policy that brings military expenditure "into line with the spending of our main European allies . . . which would save at least £1,000m a

The motion also calls for the closing down of all nuclear bases, both British and American, on British soil or in British waters; and the abandonment of a defence nolicy based on the use or threatened use of nuclear

weapous. Those demands have been made reneatedly in resolutiona nassed at Labour Party conferences. A resolution in similar terms was remitted to the national executive at Saturday's

session of this year's confer-

Mr Frank Allaun, MP for Salford, East, a member of the national axecutive, who is also chairman of Lahour Action for

Labour left-wingers, who are continuing to press for cuts in defence spendiog of at least afford to carry a burden p

"That was an important prouncement. It means, if

are to come down to the a

other Nato allies (excluding United States), that we n reduce defence spending one third roughly £3.362m total defence budg Mr Allaun said that m Labour MPs who could n be described as left wi were supporting the den for substantial cuts in def spending and a switch resources to social needs was significant, he said, a spokesman for the engiing workers' Union supported the demand at conference on Saturday. were among the workers might be affected by los jobs if the cuts were made Mrs Thatcher criticized: than 20 Labour backbee have signed a Commons m deprecating what they
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Mrs Thatcher, MP for Ba
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panic buying. Labour conference.

national unity is esse and they feel it could k

### **Post Office** claim is second in year By Alan Hamilton

Labour Staff

Union leaders of 200,000 Post Office workers bave lodged a claim for their second major pay increase within 12 months, The Union of Post Office Workers, which represents postmen, sorters and other postal grades as well as several thousand telephooists, says that its four-point demand, which it wants to operate from January 1, is within the TUC guidelines and does not break the social contract, although it comes less than six months after the last than six months after the last settlement.

For their regular annual pay award the postmen want con-solidation of the present £4.40 a week threshold payments into basic rates, an extra proportionate increase to cover further increased living costs. an escalator clause which would give further automatic increases next year if the cost of living rose above a specified level, and a change in pay scales to give a £30 minimum wage at the age of 18.

Last January UPW members were awarded a Phase Three increase which gave rises of be-tween £2.25 and £7.39 a week, at a cost of £32m.

But In July they were awarded a further 11.5 per cent in a £50m "catching un" deal, after Mr Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, bad agreed to make the postmen a special case.
The union now argues that because the July settlement was a special case sanctioned by the Government, it does not count towards the normal social contents. tract understanding that there should be at least one year between nay deals.

Some postal workers had yet another increase last October, when London weighting in-creases of between £164 and £199 were granted.

### Bakers' pay cla threatens bread supply

Hundreds of bakery w are expected to stay at today in defiance of union's recommendation ban overtime and Sunday ing in support of a pay Mr Stanley Gretton, a secretary of the Bakers' said last night that sh many districts might be v

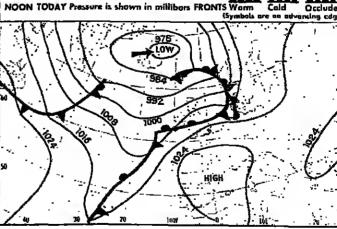
Bread should still be able, but from small ir dent producers, who bake a quarter of the su Scotland is not affected. Mr Gretton said: "So our members have deci continue to withdraw labour, but until the m we shall not know bow Two or three bakeries has

out for three weeks. "I understand that the west Midlands took sion on Saturday that the not return to work on M About 33,000 workers "big three" bakeries. produce Sumblest, I Pride and Homepride are supporting claim for an increase rates from £23.80 to £ an end to Sunday work
Mr Morris Zim
director of the Nation
ciation of Master Bake
bousewives should buy

curb an impending bre: Bakers would know w demand was likely to produce accordingly.
earlier it is, the easier r
for them to bake the loaves", be said.

NUM poll inquistibles Officials of the Union of Mineworkers vel to South Wales I begin an inquiry into irregularities in last pithead ballot on the Coal Board's productive

# Weather forecast and recordings



Today -

Sum rises : 7.45 am Sun sets : 3.35 pm Moon sets: Moon rises: 10.11 am 7.12 pm

10.11 am 7.12 pm Last quarter: December 6.
Lighting up: 4.25 pm to 7.16 am, High water: Lundon Bridge, 3.7 am, 7.3m (23.8ft); 3.29 pm, 7.5m (24.6ft). Avonmouth, 8.49 am, 13.5m (44.2ft); 9.17 pm, 13.2m (43.4ft). Dover, 12.7 am, 6.7m (21.9ft); 12.29 pm, 6.6m (21.7ft). Hull, 7.40 am, 7.2m (23.5ft); 7.48 pm, 7.3m (24.1ft). Liverpool, 12.27 am, 8.7m (28.7ft); 12.46 nm, 9.0m (29.4ft).

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Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Mainly cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle, hill and coastal fog patches; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 11° or 12°C (52° to 54°F).

W Midlands, N Wales. NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man: Mainly cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle, hill fog patches; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Mostly cloudy and mild, with occasional rain or drizzle to WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f. fair: r, raio; s, sun.

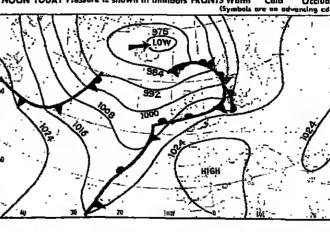
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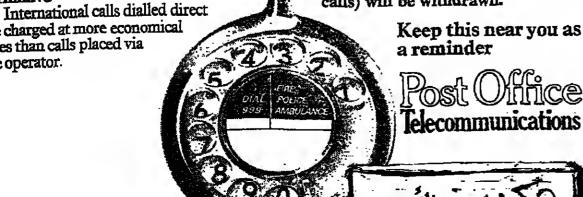
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### throughout Christmas Day and Boxing Day (Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Scotland only) whereas Standard Rate will apply to all operator placed calls during the Calls for connection by the operator may be booked for the period from 6 pm Christmas Eve to midnight Boxing Day, and from 6 pm New Year's Eve to midnight Direct dialled international calls will be cheaper this Christmas than any previous Christmas. SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN Subscribers in London with 01 telephone **FACILITIES** numbers dial 150 for bookings to countries in Europe and North West Africa (Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia); and dial 159 for bookings to all other countries. To enable our operators to concentrate on handling those calls where their assistance is essential, we regret we have to suspend certain facilities for international calls on Other subscribers should dial the appropriate code shown in their Dialling Instruction Booklet for an international call, and ask for Christmas International Bookings — Christmas Day only:

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Moreover, this year, the Cheap Rate will apply to most international dialled calls



Remember it pays to dial direct where you can

# outes for London uled out in report

ansport Correspondent
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ansport Correspondent
Attempts to establish a twork of heavy lorry routes
London look like running o serious difficulties over and the capital would have the Greater London roughs show a 425-mile twork running almost irely over existing central disuburhan main roads, most which date from before the rand are quite unsuitable the job.

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Aoy attempt to exclude heavy lorries (16-tonners and

flexible enough or sufficiently widespread to provide for the vasr number of individual deli-veries that are required m fac-tories, wholesalers, retailers and

Main roads in London are typically less than 40ft in width, fronted by residential and shopping activities, add are thus a focus of activity for pedestrians, buses and cyclists. There are also many physical limitations on lorry movement such as right bends, weak and low hridges, and tunnel restric-

#### rust to rescue erbyshire istoric homes Rooald Kershaw

The newly formed Derbyshire storic Buildings Trust differs m most hodies concerned th conservation to that its ention will be focused not on at and famous houses but oo ryday buildings which are t of the county's architecal heritage and often an gral part of the landscape. he trust, "dedicated to the cue of historic Derhyshire ldings at risk", will ourage interest io the techil problems arising from servation. A programme of station, research and publish has been drawn up. A ad with a target of 5100,000 to be set up to huy property he restored and resold, the

ney heing used for further port from local authorities there is access to a governnr fund which contributes and for pound to money sed. Help from landowners, instry, contractors and the fessions is being sought, and is emphasized that material, rice and experience are impe, as well as money.

### **Editors** call for report on press freedom

The Guild of British Newspaper Edimrs urged the Prime Minister on Saturday to ask the Royal Commission on the Press to issue an interim report of

A resolution passed at a meeting in Birmingham of the guild said the commission should examine the issues that have arisen from proposed
"closed shop" legislation and
from recent actions of the
National Union of Journalists.
The meeting declared that a
"closed shop" in the terms
envisaged would represent a
Surrender to trade union mili-

interest. The guild president, Mr Frack Owens, pointed out that many editors had emphasized that nothing the guild said should he interpreted as being

The resolution deplored the recent action in declaring "black" all material other than that produced by NUJ members and regarded this as an alarming indication of the use that a militant unioo leader-ship could make of a "closed

paper did approach the county council's representative, who told them be knew nothing about it. He (Mr Price) thought this set the record straight.

Mr Harwood reiterated his

request for an apology and cor-rection, but Mr Price said he could not sae what good this could do. They had printed more than once a statement

rhat there was no irregularity. He would be pleased to pob-lish any letter and it would

nor be altered.

Mr Harwood replied that

there was no truth in the inference of corruption, as Mr Price now accepted. The slur had been greatly resented. Members and staff were entitled

to an apology, and he enclosed

apology. Their reporter, Mr David Tanner, had said in a

statement no one would speak

to them on the night in question concerning rumours and

It was a newspaper's job to seek out the truth and publish

it. This he was resolved to do in the case of the county coun-

ter of public interest. The tail-

piece paragraphs containing

## lewspaper blamed over mischievous' report

headed: "Serious domestic ter in Somerset—Secret be in West—56 on council led in to talks." It said gations of irregularities in al government were being estigated by Somerset my councillors. They would et secretly and informally next night to investigate allegations. The future of a my council officer could be

I tailpiece to the report said ruption allegations involv-two local authorities were

fr S. E. Harwood, county retary, Somerset County mail, complained to the edi-thar "allegations of irregrities in local government re being investigated..." I "...a decision would be " a decision would be en whether police should be led in" had no foundation. ore printing such an article paper should have checked accuracy.

tirman of the policy and ources committee. This said she bad invited

inty council members to ao ormal gathering to discuss future of the chief execve, Mr Maurice Gaffney, in-ding the possibility of his

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The following day the newsper published a report aded County Clerk: I may ign", containing a state at the by Mr Gaffney which the State which the set report. The joining up was done by himself on the ground that two local authorities were than the set report. ign", comming a state-ut by Mr Gaffney which erred to "differences of "" and clashes of personalre was no question of irregrines or possible police in-est. The newspaper also

hlished an editorial. Mr Eric Price, the editor, plying to Mr Rarwood, said by had published Mr Gaff-

"Rail and water bave a potential for delivering goods, particularly bulk products to major depots and in some cases to major industries. But no rail or water system can be flexible enough or sufficiently

"Road deliveries are the only feasible means of catering for those needs, and large oumbers of lorries will continue to he needed in London." The report leaves no doubt that the root of the problem is London's failure over the years to invest in an adequate road

press freedom as sooo possible.

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The Press Council bas up ney's statement which was d a complaint by Somerset longer and more informative mty Council that the West-thao Mrs Phillips's. The newsmty Council that the WestDaily Press published a
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sponsible report and failed
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he report complained stake and a decision would taken whether police should

called in. a statement of retraction and apology for publication.

The newspaper then published a statement that it had ng investigated by Glouces-shire police.

lished a statement that it had never suggested or meant to suggest there had been corruption, but they did say incorrectly that police action was heing considered by councillors. They regretted this but would point out that had they been able to secure a decial of would point out that had they been able to secure a deoial of this from a council official, it would have been published.

Mr Price told the Press Council he totally denied that the newspaper published a mischievous, misleading and irresponsihle report or that there was an obligation to print an applicate. Mr

le asked the editor to print full apology and correction set out in a statement ued by Mrs P. E. Phillips,

in some kind of trouble. The Press Council's adjudiand clashes of personal.

He emphasized that was to question of irregules or possible police into the newspaper also ished an editorial.

Etic Price, the editor, ing to Mr Harwood, said

The Press Council's adjudication, issued today, is:

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conjecture.

Mandatory heavy lorry | Five-day week and other attractions make jobs on Mersey sludge boats among most sought by seamen

# Sailing under flag of many conveniences

of local government reorganiza-tion was that the City of Manchester lost its own fleet of seagoing ships. The good ships Gilbert J. Fowler, Percy Daw-son and Mancumium, and the Salford City, which was previously owned by Manchester's neighbouring authority, and the Consortium 1, purchased hy a group of towns incorporated into the new metropolitan county of Greater Manchester, now sail under tha flag of the North West Water Authority.

The change of ownership does not alter their regular voyages down the Manchester Ship Canal and the Mersey to a 15-farthom deep beyond the Bar Light; nor does it alter the fact that jobs on board are among the most sought after in the whole of the British

mercantile marine. With their gleaming black topsides, spotless red decks and creamy-buff funnels and upperworks, they are still admired as the smartest, cleanest ships to be seen plying in thosa crowded waters.

The Gilbert J. Fowler and Consortium 1, built just over

Regional report

John Chartres Manchester

bow-thrust jet propulsion units. Portions of their decks are thanked out for quoits and other amusemeots, all crew members have single cabins and the food is excellent, with curry a speciality in the Gil-hert J. Fowler.

Nearly all the ships' companies have had up to 12 years' deep sea experience, and one of the main reasons for the vessels' popularity is that the nature of their task provides for a five-day week, every weekend ashore, and a normal bome life. The seamanship required for navigaring the required for navigacing the canal provides a challenge. "The best job I have ever

had in my life", was how Able Seaman Albert Hughes, who spent 12 years circumnavigating tha world in refrigerated cargo ships, described his present berth.

A description of the precise

two years ago at a cost of nature of the ships' task comes about £800,000 each, bristle a little late io this report with modern devices such as hecause one is apt to forget fingertip tiller steering, direct about it during the privilege of bridge control of engines and a trip on board. They are the

sludge hoat fleet, and between them deposit about 1,500,000 tons a year of the final output of the Middle Mersey Effluent Treatment Unit's Davyhulme Works into the apparently all-absorbing waters of Liverpool Bay.

Bay.

The fleer's home hase, still known locally as Davyhulme Sewage Works, has been under public criticism recently, culminating to a Commons debate. Mr Lewis Carter-Jones, Labour MP for Eccles, used the phrase: "A steoch by any other oame is still a steoch."

Mr Winston Churchild Con-

Mr Winston Churchill; Con-servative MP for Stretford, said that the stench io his own said that the stench io his own flat, a mile and a half to the south, was "uobelievable" and affected tens of thousands of people. He suggested that the sludge boats should be replaced by a pipeline.

Engineers admit that the works does smell a hit, but challenge the ablegation that it

works does smell a hit, but chair leage the allegation that it affects "tens of thousands". The problem is not one of technical inefficiency hut has been created by the effluents goured out by chemical factories. A study is being made to find a solution which will come within the cost effects. come within the cost effecti-veness demanded of local auth-

However, the sludge boats' method of final disposal in Liverpool Bay, which has been going on for nearly 80 years, was recently cleared by another scientific investigation of any risk of environmental ecological, or piscatorial damage.

# Battle lines drawn for tied cottages struggle

Battle-lines are being drawn for the contest during the forthcoming year over the Government's promise to abolish agricultural tied cottages. Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Eovironment, last week made firmer the manifesto pledge to bring tied cottages under the protection of the Rent Acts.

He assured the National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers that drafting and con-sultation would start almost sultation would start almost immediately, with a view to hrloging in a Bill early in the next session. The plan to make do with temporary legislation restoring six months' grace m evicted tenants seems to have been abandoned in favour of pressing ahead with full spolition.

abolition.

The farming interests opposed to abolition are arranging a joint meeting under the auspices of the National Farmers' Union within the next few weeks. The NFU, poultry farmers, dairy farmers and the Country Landowoers' Association all regard the Govarnment's tion all regard the Govarnment's proposals with alarm. The absence of a promise of legislation from this session's

Queeo's Speech had been takan as an indication that the Governmore from grappling with this complex and contentious issue. But the agricultural workers' union campaign bas now elicited the firmest promises yet of action.

"We feel we have made some progress", Mr James Watts, the agricultural workers' unioo legal officer, said. "But thare

might be some nasty in fighting

to come."
In 1970 the House of Lords managed to weaken the protection provided for tenants in the Agriculture Act, obtaining an amendment that a court could dispense with six months' grace for former employees io tied cottages if the efficient management of the farm was prejudiced. Any bill giving security of tenure for all tied-cottage
tenants will certainly be much
more hitterly resisted.

The NFU said it viewed the

The NFU said it viewed the legislation proposed in the Labour manifesto "with dire concern". It was unfair to discriminate against the farm industry when miners, policemen and even, it said, Greater London Council employees, had

Farmers say the system is essectial to attract workers and to have workers like dairy stockmen immediately on hand The agricultural workers' uoion's single sponsored MP, Miss Joan Maynard, has collec-ted 1050 natures in support of a Come motion condenning the sys the sys The union says cied cettages ses id down wages and the within agricultural cases of hardship.

Shelter, the housing charity,

is trying to persuade the Government to phase out all tied housing, of which the 100,000 agricultural cottages comprise only a tenth. It sees the difficulties over tied housing as a reflection of the national housing shortage, but it said in a recent report that hasty legis-lation would lead to real disruptaon of British farming.

Shops to list top prices of subsidized

foods By Hugh Clayton
Food shops will be obliged
for the first time next week to display lists of maximum prices allowed by the Govern-ment for subsidized foods. This will he the prelude to further orders from Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices

secretary of State for Frices and Consumer Protection, pegging the prices of those foods.

Mr Leonard Reeves-Smith, chief executive of the National Food and Drink Federation, which represents 10,000 independent grocers, said: "The whole idea of those notices is ridiculous. All the Government is doing is to introduce a new is doing is to introduce a new overbead. Everyone is going to pass the cost of this on to the public."

Shopkeepers who sell bread will be expected to display two notices about it from next Monday. Mrs Williams wants a posice beaded "Statutor may

notice headed "Statutory maximum prices in this shop" to he displayed near the hread She also wants shops to display acother sign "more cons-picuously and in larger and bolder characters" on which

the authorized maximum prices for the three hest-selling brands will be shown.

Prices for hread have already been pegged to a maximum of 141p for a large loaf in most areas and Mrs Williams want to set maximum. liams want to set maximum prices for all other subsidized foods except milk,

Butter and cheese are next oo her list and tea and flour will follow sooo.



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ALLEGRO 1500		52-0	49-0	44-0	37-5	32-0	
MAXI 1750		47-5	45-0	41.0	35-5	30-0	
MARINA 1-8		52-0	48-0	41-5	35-0	30-5	

Figures by courtesy of Motor. @Mini is a Registered Trade Mark of British Leyland.



### Early start for Royal **Smithfield** Show

By Our Agricultural

Correspondent Livestock producers' traubles hegan to affect the Royal Smithfield Show yesterday as the organizers said that they hoped the exhibition would herald a turning point in the fortunes of the industry.

Judging of about 100 cattle yesterday afterocon, before the show was opened to the public, because of pressure slaughterhouse Faroners are rushing to sell stock because of high costs of winter feed and low auction prices. It is believed to he the first time cattle have been judged on Sunday since the show began in 1799.

More than 500 pigs will be slaughtered immediately after show in response to an appeal from the Ministry of Agricul-ture to slaughter all pigs entered hecause of the prevaleoce of swine vesicular disease.

The mioistry said yesterday that nine outbreaks had been confirmed in the past week, ranging from North Wales and the Midlands on Tbursday to west London and Devon on Saturday. More than 1,000 aoi-mals were slaughtered.

Mr John Ryman, chairmao nf the Royal Smithfield Club Council, said vesterday that entries of livestock and carcasses had risen slightly since last year to a new record of 1,713. The livestock entry of 1,297 animals was two head higher than last year. There were fewer cattle, more sheep and about the same number of pigs.

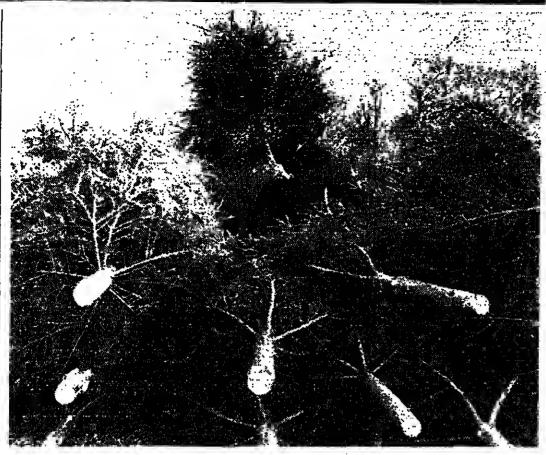
The organizers were delighted that the total pig entry had not been cut when competitors learnt that their animals would have to he slaughtered. Mr Ryan said. As for the Sunday judging of cattle, "this is an emergency situation and we hope we shall not do it in

Conference call: Mr Francis Pym, shadow Minister of Agriculture, called on the Government yesterday to convene a conference of all those interested in agriculture and sent his acceptance io advance.

A long-term plan was essential to meet the threat of food short-ace, he said. "It is a question of matching total world sup-plies to total world demand." Agriculture, page 16

Vote against women Peterborough diocesan synad has voted by 75.59 against the alleged vesterday.
ordination of women into the Mr Richard Body, Conservapriesthood. The Bishop of Peter tive member for Holland with ordination of women into the priesthood. The Bishop of Peterhorough, the Right Rev Douglas

Feaver, voted against.



Grading Christmas trees at Paddockhurst Estate, Turner's Hill, Sussex.

# Cornish dishermen want curb on Russian fleets

By Trevor Fishlock Cornish fishermen demanding action to curb buge Russian trawler fleets which, they say, threaten the existence of the Cornish fishing industry.

They are worried at the emergence of groups of up to 100 trawlers with attendant factory ships, which sweep through the fishing grounds just outside the 12-mile limit. One such group bas been working the coast in the past few weeks.

"They are like vacuum cleaners", a fisherman said. "If they are not stopped, Cornish waters will be fished out in a want a 50-mile limit.

provides a living for almost 1,000 men. The fishermen estimate that one or two trawlers catch as much in a day as the Cornish fleet of 280 boats.

The fishermen are also worried that a recent expedition hy a Hull trawler may pave the way for the kind of industrial fishing that destroyed the east coast herring industry.

At a meeting with the Cornwall Sea Fisheries Committee in Truro on Saturday the fishermen called unanimously for regulations prohibiting fishiog for mackerel, herring and pilchard in Cornish waters by boats of over 50 tons. They also

few years."

They were told by an official
Cornish fishing is based of the Ministry of Agriculture
largely on the mackerel season,
from October to March, and sign yet of over-fishing.

### Protest at EEC food rule

Boston, said the proposal would exempt manufacturers from stat- to protest

Housewives will be fobbed off ing the minimum weight of their with shart-weight food without packages' cooteots. Iostead they

redress under an "our ageous" would oeed to state only an European Ecnnomic Community proposal which slipped through the House of Commons almost unnobced last week, an MP alleged vesterday.

Mr Richard Body, Conservative member for Holland with Roston, said the proposal would receive the state for shoppers, he said. Mr Body plans to lead a deputation to Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection. Prices and Consumer Protection,

### Independence of local councils could be at risk? By Our Local Government

Local government could lose its independence if it is deprived of the right to raise its own revenue through the rates, Professor J. A. G. Griffith, Professor of Public Law at the London School of Economics, says in a pampblet published

Published at s time when the Government has just announced its biggest rate support grant to local government and in-creased its share from 60.5 per cent to 66.5 per cent of local government expenditure, the pampblet provides a serious warning to local government that its powers and indepen-

dence could be at risk.

Professor Griffith argues
that central and local government need each other. The
existence of those two groups of public bodies, each baving statutory powers, resulted inevitably in both cooperation and conflict.
(Local Authorities and Central Control, by J. A. G. Griffith (Barry Rose, 7dp).

Heifer airlift

A Royal Marines belicopter rescued a beifer which was stranded on a rock at the foot of a cliff at Rame, Cornwall, yesterday.

### LABOUR PARTY CONFERENCE

# Herr Schmidt wins ovation after reproving delegates over EEC

Political Editor

Far from provoking a hostile demonstration by any untoward candour, Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, earned himself the tribute of a friendly ovation when he hrought the Labour Party's special conference in Loodoo to a close on Saturday with a clear invitation in the British Labour movement to keep the United Kingdom soldlering on

His urbanity and commond of graceful English combined to take all the sting and all the hruises out of his delicate regroof to delegates who only 24 hours before had carried a head-over-heels anti-European modon that would fore-European modern man would accide the outcome of the Government's renegodations with the Eight. Nevertheless, it would have heen e dull delegate who missed

the Chancellor's points.

Herr Schmidt quoted Shakespeare to remind his audience that
there is a ride in the affairs of
men that most he taken at the
flood—or else. He saw himself, he
add in the role of a man useing said, in the role of a man urging on a Salvation Army meeting the advantages of drink. He was no going to interfere with the British

Then he risked the once bers of the National Executive Committee: "I would not serve the interests and expectations of my party in my own country if I suppressed the desire of your German comrades m have you there on our side within the Community . . . We are aware that your decision is coming. It will depend on the outcome of the renegotiation efforts made by Mr Wilson and Mr Callaghan, and upon one or two other things also."

He went on: "Your comrades on the Confinent want you to stay, and you will have to weigh this if you talk of solidarity." fAt that, some delegates applanded, and others sat still in courtenns

wonder or disagreement.)
"Your comrades helieve it is in
your interest as well as theirs... My party thinks the advantages of the EEC have greater weight than its stresses and hurdens. We feel it provides us with the necessary means of cooperadon which we need to solve the presentday crisis in the world's economic Herr Schmidt did not drive home

his point deeply enough to draw blood. Nor did he inflame the trade union leaders present, some of whom take the credit for helping in recreating the West German trade union movement after the war, when he implied that there

was a difference of some importance in trade onion philosophies. "In the view of my party", he said, "there is only one reason why the West German economy developed—the philosophy of the trade onion movement." There were relatively few strikes in West Germany; the trade union move-ment there had learnt the lessoos of the solits between trade union ists during the Weimar Rapublic and ndw had a strong influence, especially on legislation. Herr Schmidt made clear that Mr Wilson and Mr Callaghan will

find him a ready ally during the renegotiation in a radical remodelling of the common agricultural policy. He singled out the CAP as one of the mistakes of the past which the stocktaking due in Feb-ruary will bring to light. "We cannot afford costly surpluses ", he said. " Nor can we bamper free world trade hecause of our CAP."

Bur if he had any hints to drop about the West German Government's attitude to the redistribution of the EEC hudget hurdens, he held them back for his private talks on Saturday and yesterday with the Prima Minister at Chequers. It is there that United Kingdom and West German in-terests are in less easily reconcil-

able conflict. In his survey uf the world economy, brief as it was, Herr Schmidt revealed himself a strong supporter of concerted international action. He said the crisis must not be overemphasized. So far it was a recession, a time for tightening belts, but if it came to a depression "you might not have a beir to tighten, and if you have oot pants to hold up, then it is going to he a panic". Yet he saw no need for partic.

For Mr Wilson and the Cabinet the special party conference came to an end without saddling them with any serious ambarrassments. But they will scarcely avoid anxious thoughts about the two party conferences to which they will have to give an account of their servadiship next year. their stewardship next year, first on the European renegorization and secondly on the economy.

secondly on the economy.

Our Parliamentary staff writes:
Herr Schmidt told the conference:
"I certainly do not intend to
interfere with the economic affairs
of the United Kingdom or to give
advice in pursaing the interests of
my own peopla. But let me say
frankly, that if we fail to establish
close cooperation in order to cope
with the risks of the present with the risks of the present economic problems in the Western democratic societies, we do. I am afraid, put political stability at risk also, and might endanger our privilege to enjoy living in a democratic system."

a stringent energy policy by setting aside any seductive ideas of oational presdge. They had reached a point where they had to create a formula which could integrate legitimate national interests and the demands used for common the demands used to the demands used t the dramatic need for common action. What really mattered was a worldwide effort to avoid any waste of energy, to invest in open-ing new or substitute sources of

lng new or substitute sources of energy, to staod by with mutual help in cases of emergency, and to do all that together.

To future Britain might he a little more fortunate in her oil supplies than others. But he was glad that oevertheless Britain and West Germany agreed on the oecessities which he had described.

All this would not he enough if they should fall to hring about an institutionalized and workable an institutionalized and workable

an instrutionalized and workable cooperation hetween oil-producing madonal and oil-consuming nations including, of course, the oil-consuming developing nations, who were suffering most.

The West German Government did not believe in confrontation with the oil-producing countries. Several proposals had been made io the past few months, like those hy Dr Kissinger, the United States Secretary of State, and also pro-posals of President Giscard posals of Preside d'Estaing of France.

d'Estaing of France.

"I am convinced that the existing Ideas and proposals comprise elements which can be so organized as to fit into a single scheme, a united scheme. They will he attractive, also, to the oilproducing governments. It is exactly that that I strive for, hecause I am convinced that oilprodocing countries will also wish m see to it that the stability and predictability of the world's predictability of the world's economic development he maintained."

Herr Schmidt said that "Our joint effort for a concerted foreign policy among the European states has been taking ateps in the right direction so far ".

He had just returned from a visit m Mr Erezhnev, during which he got the clear impression that the Sowiet leaders were seriously interested in the continuation of détente. They represented a very powerful state and a powerful alliance. "We ought to be careful in order to maintain the bal-

ance of power."

Herr Schmidt said be had come to admire the down-to-earth attitude and pragmatic ability of British leaders to solve complicated problems. That had proved itself true agaio within the Commission and Council of the European Community. "Already the pean Community. "Already the beneficial influence of your attitude in handling affairs has made itself benevolently felt", he added.

Mr Rees rejects calls to free internees

### **Moderates** meet on group policy today

By Geoffrey Smith

Political Staff A number of Labour moderat will be deciding today whether form a group that would be t counterpart to the Tribune gro

for their wing of the party. Last July, during the closi weeks of the old Parliament, son 50 of them came together unc the chairmanship of Mr Cledw Hughes to discuss how they cut best counteract what they saw the excessive influence of the I wing. At that meening an inform committee or steering gruup v formed to consider the next ste It 's that committee which w

be meeting today, although longer under the chairmanship Mr Hughes, who has been elect chairman of the parliament They will have five main issue

They will have five main issi to determine. The first is when they should "go public". To would mean having a list of me bers and registering with the chapping in the same way as "Tribune group. In that case it would be able to tell him forms of the standpoint they had adop on specific issues in the hope influencing official party policy. The second point concerns The second point concerns declaration of aims. This will evitably be framed along gene lines, and will not include anyth that could inhight anti-European from joining. The group in they are moderates to a gene series not a collection of sense, not a collection of p Europeanists under a flag of c vemence. For that reason they particularly pleased that Mr T Urwin, an anti-Europeanist, was one of Mr Hughes's challeng for the chairmanship of the parmentary party, has asked to joi The third quesdon to be decid

is how many supporters should invited to the next meeting; fourth, how they should oper (perhaps by weekly meetings); fifth who should load the croup They want a collective leaders so that the view of the grc should not be transmitted to outside world only by one m They are likely to have a preside a chairman, two vice-chairmen :

a secretary The names helng meoriooed president are Mr Michael Stews the former Foreign Secretary, a the Frederick Willey; for ch; man, Mr Willey is not pra deut, Dr Dickson Mahon, who I been acting as executive chairms or possibly Mr James Weilbelove

# Delegates urge release of

jailed pickets

The National Executive Committee of the Labour Party intended to ask Mr Jenkins, the Home Secretary, if it was possible to recommend the use of the royal prerogative in the case of the two Shrewshure pickets will in two Shrewsbury pickets still in jail. Mr Bryan Stanley, a member of the NEC, told the conference. There were strong grounds for believing that the prosecution of the pickets was to a large extent polltically motivated, he said, and arose directly from the anti-trade union posture of the former Tory Government. He successfully recummended

He successfully recummended acceptance of a motion by the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Techniciaos cailing on the Home Secretary to act Immediately to release the two men. On Mr Stanley's advice the conterence rejected a motion by Birmingham, Handsworth, for the repeal of all laws "used against trade unionists". Wr George Smith, moving the successful motion, said the building industry experienced a prolonged and bitter industrial dispute in 1972 when some trade unionists were arrested and charged with various offences. Most received suspended sentences and fines, but six received savage prison sentences, and savage prison sentences, and appeals were rejected.

appeals were rejected.

"The main issue is the use of the conspiracy law in industrial relations situations," he said.

# By Our Parliamentary Staff Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, firmly rejected calls at the conference for an end to interment. He said: "I am not going to put the lives of civilians or British troops at risk for a polifical whim. I have to face realides." He wanted a planned withdrawal of British troops and their re-

He wanted a planned withdrawal of British troops and their replacement by police. "But I tell conference plainly, and I do not think I have ever used words so carefully chosen, that a premature withdrawal would lead to civil war. I would oot like to he responsible for the lives of the Catholic population in Belfast If that happened." He added: "There will he a political solution in Northern Ireland. There is not a political vacuum in Northern Ireland. With very hooourable exceptions there is a vacuum of polidcians there. They have got to face up to the responsibilities and to understand what they are saying when they

what they are saying when they say they are 'loyalists' and other-wise.
'The polloclaos have to work

"The pollociaos have to work for a political solution to their own territory. That is something the IRA do not understand. We do, as socialists. That is why the first step is to ask the people themselves to work together. We will never solve it. The people of Northern Ireland will."

Mr Rees was speaking to support of a statement on Northern Ireland by the party's uadonal executive committee, which hacked the Government's

# He said: "We have a responsibility in Northern Ireland. There is no other government there. The government of the South does not want it. We move forward towards fresh elections in

Northern Ireland, structured to allow full discussion of the economic and social problems." More and more people were going through the courts, and it 

She did not think it would end pose that all the other coontries of the world would stand aside if they thought their own co-religionists were being massacred.

"To absolve ourselves from responsibility might make us responsible for a more major war than anything we have yet seen. As soon as a political solution can be found the Government will he first to urge the withdrawal the Army. We do not want of the Army. We do not want our young men tramping up and down the streets of Beltast being shot by hoth sides."

Mrs Williams, who was replying for the NEC, said: "We are a padent people. We have, I think, a panent Government. But there has heen Aldershot, the M6d hus business, there has been Guildford

and there has been Birmingha Sooner or later we have to ta steps to protect ourselves."

To take it out on the Ir community was to misjudge w was responsible, because I majority of the Irish commun condemned what had bappen "We must not allow a wedge be driven between the people our movement, but because of be driven between the people our movement, just because o person was born in Ireland a another was born in England."

MR J. O'KEEFE (Sparkbrow Birmingham) said the Birmingham) said the Birmingham bombs did not different hetween Irish and Englipeople of both nationalities willed. Yet in Sparkbrook, whas 1d.000 Irish voters, there a backlash. Behind It was sinister monster of the Naoc Front. "I warn the trade unit to beware of them In the I

Front. "I warn the trade unito beware of them In the I tories. They are stirring us u He said that 99.99 per cent Irish people in Britain w opposed to the IRA. "But we subject to insult. There are I lated cases of violence and petrol hombs in Irish homes." MRS TERRY HAINES (Dorkin said: "You cannot separ Ireland from us. We are people of the British Isles. cannot go on treating the im nees—some of them have be there for six or seven years—I way they are heling treat (Protests).

"They are still heing tortul by the Special Branch. Release internees. Give them back the human and civil rights. Remother troops and have an ion nahoual peace force.

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## Mr Mikardo finds a path through defence minefield

Cuts in military spending of at least £1,000m a year were demanded in a resolution which Mr Ian Mikardo, MP for Poplar, eloquently and tactfully persuaded the conference to remit to the national executive committee of the party. Put simply, he wanted it remitted as it was in conflict with the party manifesto put before the electorate recently. Mr Mikardo told delegates that

whenever there appeared to them to be a departure or threatened departure from the mamifesto they would watch and guard the manifesto and, if need he, fight the Government on it; but the NEC would have no moral authority to to defend the manifesm if they had consided at any significant departure from it. "This resolution, worthy as it is, is a signifi-cant departure from the mani-

The resolution called for the closure of all nuclear hases, both British and American, located in Britain or British waters; and an end to British defence policies hased on the use or threatened use of nuclear weapons.

was clearly unhappy with the forth-right request to remit the resolu-tion hut, after hesitating, agreed. night request to remit in resonution but, after hesitating, agreed. So the resolution goes to the NEC where, as Mr. Mikardo and Mr. Callaghan explained, it would be studied by the international committee, with the outcome of the defence review to he published next week. (Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Defence, who was listening to the dehate, will he making a statement in the Commons tomorrow.

Mr Mikardo said there was no cunceivable reason why Britain should spend on arms a higher percentage of gross national product than other European members of Nato. It was a most open secret that there was an argument in the NEC about whether they should have put into the manifesto the figure of £1.000m cuts io arms expenditure.

expenditure.
Such a cut would involve loss of

jobs. But one of the reasons why inches needed a properly planned and vigorous economy was to make sure that cuts in defence spending resulted not in loss of jobs but in changes of occupation from mak-ing instruments of destruction to making instruments of construc-

### Clay Cross rent rebels get small comfort

At least 200 councillors in 20 local authorities faced troubles like those at Clay Cross, Mrs Lena Jeger, said. She successfully urged the rejection of a motion condemning the Government's actions over fines imposed on the Clay Cross

councillors.

"It would be unfair", she said,
to concern ourselves with only
one local authority when so many
more of our comrades are involved." Supporters of the motion volved." Supporters of the motion forced a card vote and it was rejected by 4,378,000 to 1,173,000.

Mrs Jeger, MP for Camden, Holborn and St Pancras, South, speaking for the national executive committee, said legislation had not been drafted on the question of Clay Cross. They must also show respect for the many councils and councillors who with heavy hearts had had to carry out the provisions of the Housing Finance Act.

### Pledge to fight for human rights in Chile

Socialists and workers and their families io Chile did not stand alone, Mrs Judith Hart, Minister arone, Mrs Judith Hart, Minister for Overscas Development and a member of the NEC, told the conference. Their struggle was Britain's struggle and the Government was committed to do everything in its power to restore human rights and democracy io Chile. Chlle.

Chile.

Mrs Hart was replying to a monon from Holhorn and St Pancras, South, staring that the conference was appalled that the Chilean Government had been given until 1983 to renay £24m of its £124m debt to the British Government. The motion, which was carried unanimously, pressed the Government to revoke the decision and oppose any further renegodation of the remaining debt until full civil and political rights were restored.

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# Med for cooperation emphasized at Schmidt-Wilson talks

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Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Vest German Chaocellor, and ir Wilson today emerged ohvi-usly well satisfied with the suits of their intense discusons at Chequers yesterday and us morning.

Mr Wilsoo described the occupier as a "very good meetig and very productive" when espoke at a press conference to Northolt airport just before err Schmidt flew to Brussels and talks with the Belgians.

The Chancellor said he The Chanceton's said ne anted to emphasize that the iscussions had heen "open, ank and theraby fruitful". he talks and the relaxed mosphere io which they had kee place had made a "very the said of the contribution to the said of the s distantial contribution natual understanding ".

The main topics discussed icluded the British recagotiictuded the British recogni-tion of European Community embership terms, European and world aconomic problems ich as eoergy, the racycling of the reveoues accumulated by the oil producars, unemploy-ted, inflation and the Euroean Community summit due in aris next week.

The two leaders met alooe for alf an hour both yesterday and is morning before calling in is morning bettere carring in the advisers. A working dinner ( Chequers last night was fol-wed by more talks which went o until nearly 1 am. Among British ministers pre-

Among British ministers preent were Mr Callaghao, the
'oreign Secretary, Mr Healey,
he Chancellor of the Exchequer
nd Herr Schmidt's closest
tersonal friend among British
whiting the Ducby of Lancaster,
and Mr Mason, the Defence

ecretary. The two leaders said today hat they bad agreed on the rurial importance of barmoniz-ng national economic policies. his meant a conscious differeoins meant a conscious differentiation of policy, depending on that the problems of each ation were, but with a common im uoderlyiog the various geasures taken by various ational governments.

Herr Schmidt repeated his ell-known concern about the ell-know

flation and unemployment and is threatened world-wide recestoo caused mainly by oil price screases. He said that the talks ad brought the West Germans ad the British much closer on och thiogs as recycling than hey had ever been before. Both ides saw the oeed for cooperatives of the cooperative of the cooper oo at all levels; with each ther, with other European motries, with the United States nd Japan and between oil proacers and oil consumers. Mr Wilson said that there id been on negotiation as

Community membership.
This was a matter which could be dealt with only in the framework of the entire membership of the Community. But Herr Schmidt repeated his view that the higgest room in the world was the room for improvement was the roum for improvement He thought a compromise over British renegotiation was possible, whereupoo Mr Wilson chipped io to say that their meetings had taken place in the biggest rnom at Chequers.

Herr Schmidt, in keeping with his well-known political stance, said that there was no place in politics for either optimism or pessimism when asked how he thought the recegoriation process would eod. Mr Wilson underlined the importance of maintaining the momeotum of

maintaining the momeotum of renegntiation.

The two leaders said that wheo they spoke of differentiated economic policies with a common goal, they did not bave io mind the "graduated integration" proposal put up io Paris last mooth by the former West German Chancellor. Herr Willy German Chancellor, Herr Willy Brandt. Herr Brandt suggested that those Community members in a position to integrate economically should do so, while those which could not should he pro-visionally released from such

The occasioo for Herr Schmidt's visit was an iovitation from the Labour leadership to address the party cooference as a "fratarnal delegate" from the West German Social Democratic

He duly did so yesterday and scored a remarkable personal triumpb with a speech which was one of his very best. The 20-minute address was tailor-made for the potentially (though made for the potentially (though not actually) "sensitive" audi-eoce of a Lahour confereoce. His reward was not quite an ovation, but certainly prolonged and warm applause for a subtle speech liberally sprinkled with

good humour.

The central hurden of his speech was: "All I really want to say . . . is that your comrades on the Cootinent want you to stay, and you will please have to weigh this. If you talk of solidarity, you have to weigh it. Your comrades on the Cootinent believe that it is in their interests as well as in yours too."
A misunderstanding in Bonn

last week led me to report in The Times on Friday that the Chaocellor was going to speak without a prepared text. This was oot the case and had never beeo Herr Schmidt's intentioo.
Hence the Cbaocellor's denial in
his speech that be was about to
"shoot from the hip".

### Jench postal **trikers** idmit defeat

'rom Our Öwn Correpondent

postal strike yer. The sorting offices in the aris region, where it begao, ill be operating oormally The strike petered out gradu-lly last week as one by one he sorting offices to Paris and be provinces voted to return a work. The strikers were uo-ble to get any further conces-ions from the Government bar those agreed three weeks

### Rome deputies may face corruption count

Rome, Dec 1.—Italian magis-trates are seeking the removal of parliamentary immunity so that they can bring possible corruption charges against two deputies.

The men are Signor Salvatore Lima, under-secretary at the Budget and Planning Ministry, and Signor Egidio Carenini, at

the Iodustry Ministry.

Since May 1972 the Mioistry of Justice bas forwarded 205 requests by the magistrature that deputies be allowed m face

### Demonstrators occupy hurch in Bilbao

rom Our Correspondent ladrid, Dec 1

More than S00 people, mostly latives of political prisoners, copied a Bilbao church last ight and spent all day today tere to call attention to their emand for a full amnesty for polincal prisoners. They in-trupted Suoday masses by nging the forbiddeo Basque

y about 140 political prisocers antinued all over Spain in a emand for an amnesty. Most the hunger strikers are asques and six of them are

Spanish bierarchy this ekeod asked the Government "clemency" for prisoners, statement issued by the ishops yesterday at the end of the twenty-first Spanish episcoal cooference also recom-ended recognition of human ghts. But its language was ofter than that of previous turch communications, suggestg that the struggle hetween nurch and state is now less ronounced than it was only 1 mooths ago, when Secor

Carluos Arias Navarro, the Prime Mioister, failed in an attempt to exile the Bishop of Bilbao, Mer Antonio Anoveros.

The episcopal conference wear oo record as considering itself "obliged to support a profound evolution in our (state) institutions, in order to guarantee permanently the fun-dameotal rights of citizeos such as those of association, assembly and expression. For this, it is necessary to guarao-tee channels of participation for all citizens, individually as as in association, in poliwent as in association, in political life... without arbitrary discrimination and with judicial guarantees for the exercise of this right, within the limits dictated by the common welfare." dictated welfare."

That statement was an appar ent reference to the lnng pro-mised and still undelivered government authorization for Spaniards to form "political associations". These are the regima's tentative and very regima's tentative and very limited approach to political parties, which are forbidden except for the Falance-based National Movement

# New rules set for Italian proadcasting network

rom Our Correspondent ome Dec 1

The Italian Cabinet agreed o a new structure for the state adio and television network RAI) only minutes before the etwork's old constitution ran ut last night.

The stormy debate which receded the decree is being terpreted as an early indicaion of the flimsiness of the oity of the Government—a valition of Christian Demorats and Republicans with exernal support from Socialists nd Social Democrats.

RAI has been accused of pariality, of being under the influ-nce of the Christian Democrats and of had presentation. Four nonths ago the Supreme Court uled that RAI's mooopoly on roadcasting was unconstituAlthough the decree comes into force immediately it is likely to undergo mudifications Parliament before it is

Day to day control over the network will be exercised by an administrative council of 15 members, 10 of them appointed by Parliament and five by the sharebolders. A Parliamentary commission and a national committee will bave a supervisory role and lay down general

policy guidelines. The two television channels and three radio channels will have competing news services which have to be independent and objective.

In response to the Supreme Court's ruling, the decrea allows cable television and relay stations to transmit foreign broadcasts but unofficial pirate stations remain banned.



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Names of the past: Herr Manfred Rommel, son of the Field Marshal, votes in the election for mayor of Stuttgart, which he won with 58.9 per cent of the vote; in Bonn Herr Wolf Rüdiger Hess demands freedom for

Bonn party official escapes shooting

Frankfurt, West Germany, Dec 1.—Federal security police today took charge of investigations into the attempted shooting of a millionaire opposition politician after a claim that supporters of the Baader-Meinhof urban guerrilla group were responsible.

Herr Walther Leisler Kiep,

The initials stand for "Red Army Faction", the name bere when a guoman fired three shots at close range through the door last night.

Police said they were taking "very seriously" an anonymous telephone call this morning to a news agency office bere, when a cews agency office bere, when the opposition of the opposition of his him at Krooberg near take responsibility, the RAF."

The initials stand for "Red Army Faction", the name bere when a guoman fired three shots at close range through the Baader-Meinhof group during its heyday more than two years ago. It has been held responsible for bomb attacks in which four people died and for a string of other vinlent crimes.—Reuter.

### European **Parliament** plans are changed

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
Proposals for direct elections
to the European Parliament have been drastically changed as a result of discussions in the Parliament's political affairs committee, and they will not come up for debate and decisioo by the European MPs until lanuary.

Many MPs who have been Many MPs who have been pressing for an early recommendation to the Couocil of Ministers, with a view to holding the first direct election in May, 1980, are deeply disappointed over the delay. They expected a full debate oext week at the Luxemboorg session of the Parliameot. They fear that the proposals may be the subject of further argument at the European summit cooat the European summit coo-ference in Paris

The present European Parliament has 198 memhers, who are delegates from the oatlooal parliaments. In the plan for direct elections, put forward by Mr Schelto Patijo, a Durch Socialist, there were to he 355 members memhers.

members.

A Parliament of 385 gave a membership of: Belgium 23; Denmark, 17; France, 68; Germany, 71; Ireland, 13; Italy, 66; Luxembourg, 6; Netherlands, 27; and the United Kingdom, 67. Under the revised plan for e Parliameor of 550, membership

would he: Luxembourg, 6; Ireland 10; Denmark, 14; Belgium 24; Netherlands, 31; France, 108; Italy, 113; United Kiogdom, 116; Germaoy, 128.

# Chances of a package deal at EEC summit

From Roger Berthoud Brussels, Dec 1

Given a certain amount of optimism and good will, it is just possible to discern the outlines of a package deal oo which the EEC's beads of which the EEC's beads of government might agree when they meet in Paris on December 9 and 10. It will be one of the tasks of their foreign ministers, at a two-day meeting beginning in Brussels tomorrow, to make those outlioes a little clearer.

Several important external affairs dossiers also require examination tomorrow, and there will be a formal ministerial reactivation of the EEC's association agreement with Greece, with two Greek minis-

Greece, with two Greek ministers atteodiog.

If all goes well at the summit—a big "if"—tha French will get some progress towards direct election to the Europeao Parliament (despite British and Danish reservations), an undertaking on greatar use of majority voting in the Council of Ministers, a formula promnting future meetings of beads of government, and agreement on closer monetary cooperation.

The Germans will get solemn promises at the least on more national discipline and Community consultation io the fight against inflation, in fight against inflation, in exchange for some reflation by those with balance of paymeots surpluses (mainly the Germans themselves and the Dutch). They should also get modest progress towards a Community energy policy.

The Irish and Italians would at last get their regional fund,

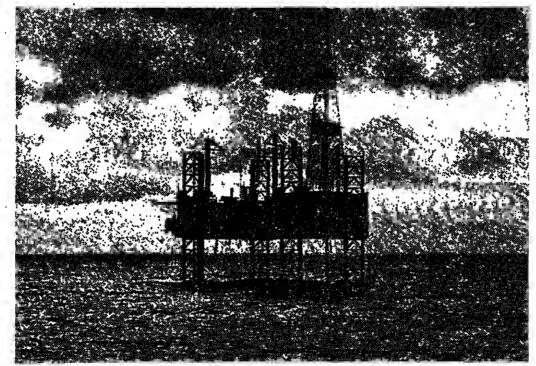
with much of its initial pro-ceeds flowing to them. The Durch might get some under-taking on the observance of community rules on state aid to development regions which distort competition. They would welcome the institution all improvement, as would Bel-gium and Luxemboure. gium and Luxembourg.

gium and Luxembourg.

The British, if Mr Wilson pleys his hand skilffully, could get recognition of the need for a mechanism to prevent any member state with a below average gross domestic product from paying a disproportionate share of the EEC's budget—a prime aim of renegotiation, which features again on Tuesday's agenda. They could, along with several partners, be heartened by a closer focusing heartened by a closer focusing on unemployment as a scourge equal m inflation.

one of the main problems of the foreign ministers and their two working groups of senior officials has been in surike a balance between the over-prep-arazion of the 1972 Paris sum-mit and the underpreparation of last December's Copenhagen

The praparatory document for the summit on the "con-crete" question of inflation, unemployment and social policy, regional policy, monetary cooperation and energy has now expanded to 31 pages. now expended to 31 pages. This reinforces the point made hy Mr Hattersley, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, at last Monday's meeting: a shorter covering onte is needed to focus the minds of the heads of government without tying their hands.



# HERE'S HOW GAS HELPS

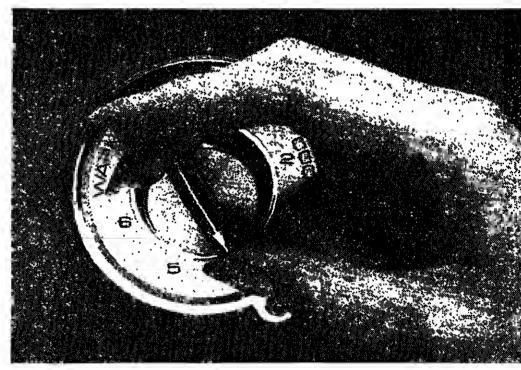
Britain is wasting energy. This is costing a huge amount in foreign exchange, in terms of oil imports alone. But, of course, any waste of energy in the light of the world energy crisis should be avoided.

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# Palestinian terrorists surrender to Israel soldiers after killing Muslim by mistake

for Israel hostages to barter for sisted that its young men beimprisoned Arabs slipped up last night. They seized the home of a Circassian Muslim family, killed the father and wounded the mother. After they ltad realized their bluoder they surrendered to Israel

From leaflets in their possessioo, it was learnt that the terrorists had placed to hold Israel civilians in order to exthem for Archhishop Hilarioo Capucci, the Greek Catholic prelate who is on trial in Jerusalem as an alleged Fatah gunrunoer, and four con-

horder yesterday evening and penetrated three miles to the village of Rihaniya. Villagers said they raided tha home of Subhi Bakir Ahzak, aged 34, a 10.30 pm, minutes after the street lights had been extin-

Rihaniya is inhahited by some 600 Circassians, descendants of Muslims from the Caucasus who moved to this country a century ago after the Russians captured

Tunisians not to

VC10 hijackers

Beirut, Dec 1.—President Bourguiha of Tunisia was quoted today as saying that his Goveromen; would not put oo trial the four Palestinian ter-

rorists who hijacked a Britisb

Moreover, they would not be

handed over to the Palestine

Liberation Organization without

their coosent, the Tunisian head of state said io an interview with the Lebanese newspaper Al-Anwar. He added that

if the terrorists axpressed a wish to rejoio the PLO "theo

we would agree to banding them over ". -Reuter.

airliner to Tuois last month.

hand over

Tel Aviv, Dec 1 contrast to Israel Arabs, the Two Fatah gunmeo huoting Circassiao community has incontrast to Israel Arabs, the conscripted for servica in the Israel defeoce forces, just like

Some have been killed fighting Arabs. A relative of last night's victim was killed in April in an eocounter with terrorists io Kiryat Shemooa.

The dead man's 10-year-old daughter, Jeanette, said the gunmeo knocked at the door last night and spoke Hehrew. Her father opened the door and was killed by a hurst of auto-matic fire. Her mother was

aid. One of the gunmen was victed terrorists.

Military sources said the hand, apparently by a ricochet. terrorists crossed the Lebaoese

The terrorists addressed The terrorists addressed Jeaoette io Hebrew and she did oot uoderstand them. They asked if she was Jewish or Arab. Told the family was Circassian, they said they were

sorry. Jeaoette's hrother laft the house and ran to an uncle's house calling for help. It was unclear whether he escaped or was sent by the terrorists. The gunmen told the perimeter. He said Israel Jeanette they would not harm would strike across the border

brother who remained at home. One gunman suggested they head back to the border but the wounded man said he was oot in a coodition to make it and proposed his companion go alooe. A few minutes later the

house was surrounded by villagers, some of them armed. Guns had heen issued to the village for protection after the recent wave of terror in Upper-Galilee. The terrorists called through

the window to the men outside that they would not give themselves up to the angry crowd but would surreoder to an Israel also shot when she ran to his officer. Jeanette was then e gummeo was jured in the hy a ricochet. Its addressed ew and she did them. They was Jewish or family was Ciraid they were seen-year-old house and ran posted at the wiodow and abe relayed messages hack and forth until Israel soldiers arrived half an hour later. Mrs Azhek was taken to hospital io Safed where she was said to be out of danger after surgery. She is pregnant. At the victim's funeral in Rihaniya this afternoon, Mr Peres, the Defence Minister, promised the villagers more posted at the wiodow and abe promised the villagers more weapons for their protection, a security fence around the village and the illumination of



Some of the 700 British doctors who took part in a protest in front of the Soviet Embassy in London against the treatment of Dr Mikhail Shtern, whose trial opens in Vinnitsa in the Ukraine today. He may be charged with poisoning Soviet children.

### Mrs Meir sees appeasement as main danger

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Mrs Golda Meir, the former Israel Prime Minister, showed that she has lost none of her strength and emotional fire in public speaking, wheo she addressed a dionist Federation rally at the Albert Hall

"As far as Israel is conceroed, everyone of us, our children and our grandchildren are based as a superschildren and our grandchildren and our grandchildren are based as a superschildren and our grandchildren are superschildren and our grandchildren are superschildren are

everything we have, will be devoted to one thing-not to allow terrorism, barbarism and injustice to rule us out of our national rights

Every single Israel govern-ment had been prepared to compromise on territory, she said. But as Chamberlain's policy had demonstrated, "you don't huy peace and comfort io the world by sacrificing other nations".

# Mr Bottomley sees Smith 'envoy'

Mr Arthur Bottomley, Labour MP for Middleshrough, East, and a former Secretary of State for Commoowealth Affairs, said yesterday that his views on the Rhodesian situation had recently been sought by a Rhodesian, who said Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, would be interested in his

very worried man", Mr Bottomley said

who had made their lives there
—but only on the hasia of
equality with the rest of the
population. "I said that Mr
Smith should make some
dynamic move in which he
acknowledged the principle of equality and ultimately of majority rule", Mr Bottomley said. He advised that Mr Smith should make auch a public pronouncement and then invite the leaders of all sections of society, including church leaders. and the leader of the Africao National Council, to discuss the

ment was now seeking to establish greater cooperation with black African states, and it seemed likely that South African support for Rhodesia was now lessening.

Mr Bottomley said he had told the Rhodesian "emissary" that he was sympathetic toward Europeans horn in Rhodesia "hodesia", Mr Bottomley said. He thought, Mr Smith might be deferred from taking the initiative by the more extreme

initiative by the more extreme politicians around him. "I remember when I went there in 1965 with Lord Gardiner, then Lord Chancellor, to see if we could get an agreement with Mr Smith on the basis of the five principles, we got to the stage where I was quite optimistic. But when he got back amongst his reactionary friends, he went off the line."

Mr Bottomley said the Rho-desian, resident in London, was now in Rhodesia and he had no doubt that he had reported to Mr Smith on their conversation.

gap Prime Minister, he would

control party funds and machinery when the Liheral

Democrats elect a oew leader

Mr Miki, who is 67, resigned

# **Makarios** talks

From Mario Modiano Athens, Dec 1

Archbishop Makarios and I Karamanlis, the Greek Prin Minister, announced today th they had agreed on a comm strategy on the Cyprus pri lem. This would be the ba for detailed and writteo struction to Mr Glaff Cledides, the acting Preside of Cyprus, regarding negot

tioos. The announcement was ma in a joint communique at t close of two-day talks. It quite plain that Archhish Makarios, who proposes return to Cyprus on Frid has already resumed his fu tions as head of state. Clerides was described in communique only as presidof the House of Represe

atives.

The communique said: "D ing the discussions which we carried out in an atmosph of cordiality and a spirit national solidarity, all aspects of the Cyprus prohl as well as the perspectives its solution, were reviewed. commoo line was establish on how to confront the pr lem. This agreed line shall the basis for detailed a written instructions to Glafkos Clerides to initi negotiations on the substa of the Cyprus issue."

The agreed line remains ret. It is clear, however, all three principals in talks—the Archhishop, Greek Government, and Clerides—agree that a form federative solution has been inevitable. President Makar seems to be coofident, at his recent talks with Dr Kinger, the United States Sectary of State, that Turmight he induced to accepsolution involving the creat of five self-governing Turk Cypriot cantons in Cyprus.

Mr Clerides did not ohi the joint protocol he sour establishing a common Athe Nicosia policy, Nicosia, Dec 1.—The Cyp Government accused Tur today of looking for a pret to launch a new military of

Ankara, Dec 1.—The Turk Government, faced with threatened cut io United Sta military aid, proposed in hudget presented today a hu increase in defeoce expe

lture. It seeks parliameotary app val for total defence speed of ahout £800m during 1975 financial year, about per cent more than in the c rent year.

Defence allocations, wh are expected to he appropriate E60m for the geodarmerie, £98m for modernizing Army.—Reuter.

# Spacecraft will send Jupiter

# Glozel: The ghost walks again

Archaeology report

The ghost of Glozel, the archaeological cause célèbre of the
1920s, is walking abroad again,
resong on the unexpected crutch
of scientific dating by nuclesr
physics. An article published
today in Antiquity challanges the
long-beld view that the artefacts
of Glozel are modern forgerles,
and suggests that they are genuine
antiquities of the Roman period,
and ahout 2,000 years old. The
claim is certain to raise doubts
about the reliability of the thermoluminescence dating method used. about the reliability of the thermo-luminescence dating method used. The site of Glozel, near Vichy, lo sonthero France, was discovered to 1924 by a young farmer, Emile Fradin, who with a local doctor, Aotoioe Morlet, recovered a large number of objects, including more than 60 Inscribed clay tablets and other fired clay articles, including "death masks" and "phaliic symbols", stones with engravings of animals similar to those in French paleolithic art, and pullshed are fragments of neo-lithic type.

inose in French paleolithic art, and pulished are fragments of neolithic type.

Morlet adjudged the site to be oeolithic from the last, and proposed a Glozellan culture which had writing and glassmaking, dating to 8,000 BC. A French origin for such attributes of civilization proved highly acceptable politically, and the ensuing controversy was correspondingly bitter.

The analysis of Glozel was accepted, although at dates ranging from nearly 4,000 BC down to the Roman period, by several distinguished French archaeologists, including Salomon Reinach and for a time the Abbe Breuil, but in 1927 O. G. S. Crawford, a noted British field archaeologist and theo editor of Antiquity, denounced it as a hoax, and the French scholar, A. Vaysoo de Pradenne, agreed with him. An International commission of archaeologists endorsed this of archaeologists endorsed this view, noting the apparent intrusion of objects loto their supposed archaeological contexts and the presence of fresh organic matter in some of the clay artefacts.

In 1928, however, a second com-mission, organized by Reinach, concluded that the fiods were anthentic, although the prevailing view over the past 40 years has been that Glozel was indeed a

anthentic, although the prevailing view over the past 40 years has been that Glozel was Indeed a hoax.

Cootroversy has now heen revived by the thermoluminescence dates obtained for more than 20 fired clay objects from Glozel by French, thanish and British scieotists, including Dr Hugh McKerrell, of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland, in Edithburgh, Dr Vagn Mejdahl, of the Danish Atomic Eoergy Commission, and Drs Henri François and Guy Portal, of the French Centre D'Etudes Nucleaire, who had carried out parallel measurements at their three laboratories. The thermoluminescence method is based on the quantity of photons which accumulate lo clay through time from the radioactive decay of mioerals within the clay and in its environment. When clay is fired its internal core of photons is dissipated and accumulation hegins anew, and measurement of this after allowing for environmental effects shows whether a long or short period has passed since the firing. With more precise controls an absolute date in years can be suggested.

Measurement of the Glozel material showed thermoluminescent activity far greater than the supposed age of 50 years would allow, and the authors of the Antiquity article conclude that the objects examined, including inscribed tablets, "are patently not modern forgeries". They estimate the absolute date of the pleces to fall between 700 BC and AD 100, and consider it "uniticely that the eventual final date for Glozel could fall outside these limits" proteins out that parallel

that the eventual final date for Glozel could fall ourside these limits ", polpting out that parallel radiocarbon dating of collageo and relative dating of bone samples are all " lo good accord with the thermoluminescent date range ".

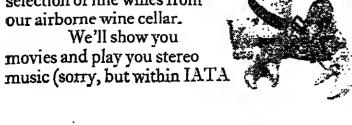
The authors co conclude that claimed for Glozel are not a standated, nor are the charges forgery, and that an Iron Age Gallo-Roman date is most like Close parallels between the scriptions on the tablets and ancient Iberian scripts would means at that date, but the is found of Glozel from sites with ciparable material is still curious. What is certain is that archaegists will now have to revise the opinions about Glozel, or abothe accuracy of thermolumli

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cence dating, or about hoth.
present range of possibilities seto be that the objects are genuto their original context, and miwith earlier material there; they are genuine but were hrou
for purposes of hoar or fraud. for purposes of hoax or fraud: that they are modern io b manufacture and context, io wicase the assumptions on which present acceptance of thermominescence dading rests will have

be radically reexamined The recent reassessment radiocarhon dading has been si larly controversial, even with allegations of archaeological fra hot the method itself seems have emerged modified a strengthened. Thermolumli cence may he about to undergo same transmination. By Norman Hammond Archaeology Correspondent

Source: Antiquity (Dec, 1974; XLVIII).

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### PLO is to open Moscow office after Arafat visit

From Edmund Stevens,

Moscow, Dec 1
Mr Yassir Arafat, the leader
of the Palestine Liberation
Organization, figuratively folded his tent and left Moscow for home yesterday. He had full reason to he satisfied with his visit here, having scored another

triumph During his five-day Moscow sojourn he received renewed assurances of support for the PLO demands for equal participation in the Geneva peace talks and the aventual establishmeot of an independent Palestinian state.

triumphs, at the October Arab summit meeting in Rahat and at the United Ntaions General Assembly last month were also successes for the new Middle East policy of the Soviet Union which, ever since the expulsion of Soviet specialists by President Sadat, has been increasingly oriented towards the Palestinians.

week a PLO office will he opened in Moscow, with a staff of three headed by Mr Abdul Razak Yahya, one of Mr Arafat's close liautenants. It will have the virtual status of a

l understand that within a

opinions. Mr Bottomley said he had known the intermediary for some years, and he thought the approach indicated that Mr Smith was under new pressures, because of the changed situation io southern Africa, to get a constitutional agreement. from acquaintances in Africa that Mi Smith is now looking a

One of the new factors was that the South African Govern-

Japanese party deadlock on choice of Premier

From Peier Hazelhurst

Tokyo, Dec 1 Japao lurched towards a political crisis today wheo the ruling Liberal Democratic at the coovention in July.

Party, hadly divided hy factional rivalries, failed for the fifth consecutive day to select a new leader to replace the outgoing Prime Minister, Mr Miki, who is 67, resigned from the Cahinet as Defifth consecutive day to select Prime Minister in July a new leader to replace the Cahinet Stakuei Taoaka, who will step party suffered a sethack days when Parliament meets. down when Parliament meets in 11 days time.

A series of protracted meettions led by the two principal candidates. Mr Masayosbi candidates. Mr Masayosbi Ohira, the Finance Mioister, decessor. Leading Liberal Demo-crats suggested that the Prime Minister, who resigned as a result of a business scan-dal, should he asked to remain

Io another emergency measure the vice-president of the party, Mr Etsusaburo Shiina, acting as a mediator, suggested today that under a compromise formula they should select Mr

oext July.

Takeo Miki, tha former Deputy Prime Minister, as a stop-gao leader until the party holds its traditional convention

Oext July.

However, while the majority of faction leaders have tentatively accepted the compromise formula, crents in Tokyo tonight indicata that both Mr Ohira and Mr Tanaka will reject any plan to install Mr Miki who is their staunch opponent, in office. As stop-

from the Cabioet as Deputy Prime Minister in July last year to challeoge Mr Tanaka's leadership opeoly after the party suffered a sethack io elections to the Upper House of Parliament. Since then, he has been associated with Mr ings today between members of the party hierarchy failed to hreak a stalemate hetween factorings today between factorings today between members Fukuda, who also resigned as Finance Minister last year to attack Mr Tanaka's aothority. Essectially, the current impasse is founded on the dif-

at the helm for the time being, hut Mr Tanaka has rejected the idea.

fereoces over the method of selecting Mr Tanaka's succes-sor. In the one camp, Mr Ohira, who is supported by members of Mr Tanaka's large

members of Mr Tanaka's large and powerful factioo, is apparently confident that he will emerge as Prime Minister if the ruling party chooses its new leader by hallot within the next 10 days.

On the other hand, Mr Fukuda, who is 69, is adamant that the party hierarchy should select its new leader by consensus or consultations. sensus or consultations.

It is understood that the husiness community, which supplies the ruling party with the greater part of its funds, is hacking Mr Fukuda bebind the

As a result, the party is divided cleanly down the middia and Mr Shiina's compromise plan apparently was put hefore the party today in a last minute attempt to avert an open split hefore the Diet is reconvened on December 12.

# close-ups today From Our Own Corresponde Washington, Dec 1 Pioneer 11, the second tertrial visitor to Jupiter, will r 26,613 miles above the plan

surface at 1.22 pm GMT ton row. That is far closer the Pioneer 10, which passed the way a year ago, and space t cials here hope that their i spacecraft will survive the v high radiation from Jupiter. Pioneer 11 will spend at 30 minutes in the most iote part of the radiation belt, most of its instruments down, and the experts know immediately afterw whether it will be able to c plete the rest of its mission.
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The fiction of the twenties reflected, if a little palely, the hrittle sophistication of tha day, but though, as Mirahel Cecil points out, the career girl, clinging as to her independence

clinging on to ber independence as fiercely as her eighteenib

century counterpart clung on to

her virtue hecame popular in American fiction, sha never

really caught on bere. After ths war years, with "old girls" being "frightfully brava", keeping their men's apirits up

with bright, optimistic letters and themselves to themselves, once again, in the mass-market magazines like Woman and Woman's Own, marriage, children and a Formica-filled home

were the only worthwhile goals. Husbands may have been tempted, usually by career girls, always "cold" always "glamorous" they wore perfume and called people "Darling"—but very rarely fell, and even after permissiveness raised in head

permissiveoess raised its head in the sixties and the occasional huaband did leave home, be almost inevitably lived to regret

The full impact of the "new'

The full impact of the "new" permissiveoess was reflected in the younger msgazines, "19", "Honey", "Petticoat", whose heroines did sleep with beroes, and villains from choice, did get pregnant (at one stage, with monotonous frequency; and coped with the consequences, but though there were some attempts to tackle serious social problems. like drug addiction

problems, like drug addiction or studeot violence, most stories

still ended with our heroine finding love with Mr Right, who

though no looger rich or titled necessarily, is usually an archi-tect, photographer, middle class

# Yel ( ) rd-Brezhnev agreement adds to Pakistan and hinese impatience with mericans over Taiwan issue

Jenry Kissinger's reputaor wizardry in dealing hinese afrairs has sufa setback as a result of le too much should not ad into the fact that isn Mao Tse-tung did osent to see the United Secretary of State on casion, there is little ccasion, there is little

ceot talks less fruitful agenial thao any he has had in Peking. appears that Dr Kissmeetings with Mr Teng ing, a deputy Prime with the kind of intellective which he bas had io st with Mr Cbou En-lai, ime Minister. The latter en sick for some six and met Dr Kissinger iefly in hospital. Teng, hy the testimony n foreigners who have m, is a tough and acer-

eaking to nuances. ed on this occasion singer arrived in Peking rom the talks near Vlaas which general with the Russians oo

faith in any such agreement. If they refrained from accusing the Americans of "collusion" with the Soviet Unioo, this was mainly out of puliteness and a desire not to let the present Sino-American relationship hreak down in recriminations. However, the Chinese are understood to he angry at recent a marican moves to confirm and

American moves to confirm and even strengthen links with Those who are familiar with r Kissioger's moods and reoccupations bave suggested tbat he is bypootized by wbat he regards as tha success of the Vladivosiok talks, to the

point where be no longer cares so much about American relations with China.

Dr Kissinger was testy eod defensive when questioned informally abnut this during his visit to Pelciog. He dismissed the Tsiwan issue as "bibly the Tsiwan issue as "bigbly complex" snd claimed later that the Chinese were "not

In fsct the Chinese leader-ship appears to be "pushing" the Tawan issue somewhat harder than was the case before President Ford went to Viadivostok. Mr Teng raised it in an indirect but uomistak-shle way in the presence of journalists in President The invieement concerning the tation to President Ford to of ouclear wespons, visit China next yesr is a fur-

ther sign that Peking wants Had the Americans held Mr

Brezhnev, the Soviet party lesder, more at arm's length, the Chinese would probably have shown more patiance over the Taiwan issue. But now they are to want American concerns. aeem to want American concessions earlier than had been expacted, if only to show that they will not take the latest Soviet-American understanding

It is in this light that the iovitation to President Ford should he seen. It was all very well for President Nixoo very well for President Nixoo
to come to Peking without any
formal lowering of the level of
relations between Washington
and Taipei. It would he
acother matter for President
Ford to come three years lster
without any clear sign in the
mesntima of American willingness to bow to China's stand
oo this issue. oo this issue.

It is in Washington, how-ever, that the American scheme for dealing with this awkward topic will have to be sought. Judging by the recent mood in the American Liaison Office in Peking, its diplomats are among the last to he in a position to the second sec position to pass out any enligh-tenment on the subject. The prestige of the mission can hardly rise if Dr Kissinger continues to arrogate to himself the right to negotiste all topics of

### issey of a cult figure ends after years ecret burial and mystery

# turn of Eva Perón's body stirs memories

tuart Stirling

Aires, Dec 1 n October by the schis-Peroust Mootoneros

one bad heen the a of Argentina's poor, d led her descamisados ss ones) to victory in ction which gave Gen-an Peron the mandate America's wealthiest oearly a quarter of a

responsible for the Peron's mandate the situation Peron and the secret of the economy and the secret rance of Eva's hody, Enumarked grave in Tably.

litical heir, President its survival. erón. memories of Peron in in exile, of military tents, and Peronism's left-wing mandate, all dominate the minds

to her four-month-old

embalmed hody of Eva is once more on Argenia and the odyssey surge Peronism's grestest gare, after years of secal and mystery, is over.

mo, in its mmh at the a cemetery in Bueoos is the coffin of the late pt Pedro Aramhuru, in October by the schispers of the country of the country. Some depict Isahel at the helm of a sbip, with the figures of Eva and Peron standing by her side. Others announce "Isabel or death", as is the case in a series of blood red Dr Hector Campors. death", as is the case in a series of hlood-red posters now

series of blood-red posters now adorning some streets in right-wing Peronist Caudillo Buenos Aires. The authors, the magazine, state in bold hlack letters, that "another year of punishing Marxists, liberals, traitors and infiltrators, is over." Amid the symbolic and very real extremes of antagonism

of the economy and the country is improving.
Senor Gomez Morales, the new economics minister, has the two historical is in Argentina's political is in Argen

Democracy, even with its own particular national loopholes, is a working reality in a country where, for years, aut return to a predo- absolutist military governments were the custodians of people's freedom. The military are back Argentines. in their barrocks and the cut Isabel Peron has 200,000 members of the Marxist guerrilla groups have so

tent a semblance of far failed in provoke a military rakeover.

ism now firmly the guerrillas have recently from the taint of lefbology, which it had ded during the shortSalta. A state of siege was

brought into force in early November because of mounting guerrilla activity and Govern-ment suggestions that schools were under threst in a wave of Marxist attacks. The general hysteria, however, which so much rumour created, did little to alter the fact that schools were not attacked and the country slipped into a state of

> The universities, once the hotbeds of leftist ideology under the Campora Government, are nnw controlled by Government interventors, who, as in the case of the University of Buenos Aires, are urging students to forsake Marx for Catholicism, and Castro for Mussolini.

President Isabel Perón has, however, survived the taumts and attacks of the Peronist left and the Marxist guerrillas who are her main antogonists. She can now count on the open support of the armed forces, the opposition parties and the great mass of orthodox

stand firm and show her own political strength in the wake of so much bostility at the time of her bushasility at the time of her hushand's death is a credit to her own personal valour.

However, the durability of Señora Perón's mandate now rests solely on her ability to cope with the pressures of office, as there is speculation among political observers that ber health is suffering because of the pace of governmental work. It is work far removed from her previous role as housewife to the late Geoeral Peron, in whose footsteps sbe seems to be bearing up surprisingly well.

# India to resume trade

From Michael Hornsby Delhi, Dec 1

India and Pakistan agreed over the weekend to resume trade after a hreak of nearly 10 years caused by the 1965 war over Kashmir. A protocol to this effect was signed in Delhi yesterday after five days of talks and will come into force next Saturday.

A significant feature of the

A significant feature of the rotocol is its stipulation that "trade will be conducted on the basis of free convertible currency in accordance with the foreign exchange regulations in force from time to time in each country." time in each country".

Before 1965, trade was coo-

docted on a rupee payment basis—effectively a botter system—according to which the value of goods exported by either side was supposed to he kept in strict balance. This prestly restricted the value of greatly restricted the volume of

Mr Y. T. Shab and Mr Ejaz Ahmed Neik, the leaders of the Indian and Pakistan delegations, both asserted at a press cooference, after signing the protocol, that if the full potential for hilateral trade was to be realized it bad to be con-ducted io free foreign exchange.

The printocol provides that be two countries will accord each other most favoured nation treatment in accordance with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Trade is to be handled initially only by Government corporations, but eventual participation by the private sector is not ruled out.

There are "immediate possibilities of commencing trade", the protocol says, in cotton, cotton products and rice, supplied by Pakistan, and jute manufactures, tea, engineering goods, railway equipment and iron ore, supplied by India. A detailed trade agreement is to be signed in Islamabad in

Mr Naik told journalists that Pakistan would need iron ore for the steel mill being huilt with Soviet aid at Karachi, which is expected to go into production towards the end of the decade. Pakistan had already agreed to huy some of India's ore for analysis.

The question of Pakistan supplying India with natural gas from its large reserves in the Sui region of Baluchistan did not apparently come up during the talks, but it is understand to remain a possibility. derstood to remain a possibi-lity if trade—and political rela-tions—developed smoothly.

In facilitate trade, officials are to meet later this month to arrange the restoration of shipping services. How much trade will continue to be hampered by political considerations remains to be seen.

# Selassie fortune

Addis Ababa, Dec 1.—A delegation of Ethiopian hanking and legal experts leaves this week for Switzerland to negotiate the return of the fortune deposited abroad by former Emperor Haile Selassie.

The military government announced last night that the Emperor had signed a document "of his own free will" anthorizing the return to Ethiopia of his money deposited ahroad for the relief of drought and families. of drought and famine.

# Changes in the sugar-coating on the women's magazine romance pill

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Poking fun at women's magazine fiction, usually by people who have seldom, if ever, read any ia a pastime as old as the genre itself, as Mirahel Cecil ahows in her book Heroines in Love 1750-1974, published today. Jane Austen parodied the excesses of Gothic pulp fiction in Northanger Abbey, and those of the "sensibility" cult, as did Eaton Stannard Barrett in The Heroine or Adventures of a Fair Romance Reader published in

"Really, this horse's consultu-tion of mine", his beroine com-plains, " is a terrible disadvanplains, "Is a terrible disadvantage to me. I know, bad I the
power of iovening my own indispositions. I would fall ill from
the scald of a lover's tear", or
even, from "an inverted eyelash, caused by continual weeping." While nobody, least if all
the people who write it, would
claim great literary merit for
most magazine fiction it does remost magazine fiction, it does reflect, at a distance and with the focus somewhat softened admittedly, the attitudes of its readers and their positions in acciety.

From the beginoing, it would have delighted both Freud and have delighted both Freud and Marx, for its main concerns, apart from the sll-pervading escspist lure of "romanca", are sex snd mnoey. In the late eighteenth century, capitalising on the success of Richardson's novels Pamela and Clarissa, procrestinated rape became a very crastinated rape became a very popular theme, usually with a poor but virtuous girl pursued

hy a rich, often filed villain.

In The Fortunate Sequel, published by The Lady's Mugazine in 1780, the vain and foolish Kitty is reduced by in 1780, the vain and foolish Kitty is seduced by s trick. ... taking from my pocket a plain guld ring, I slipped it onto her finger ... and as further proof of my sincerity, drew up a bond in which I promisad to msrry her in one month from the date thereon or pay her the sum of twenty thousand pounds. She eagerly devoured the bait and consigning it to her pocket-hook, overlookad the necessary precaution of dating it. . . . " Need-less to say, Kitty loses out to an heiress (the villain is penniless as well as wicked) and without either her virtue or a fortune, all a woman had to hargain with

country. Even when the heroine preserved her virtue, it was rarely enough, and almost inevitably, having won the bero's heart with her simple modesty, she turns out to be an heiress too. By the mid-Victorian period, poverty was acceptable, provided, of course, it was both genteel and brought about through no fault

in the marriage market, was forced to retreat for ever to the



of the heroine's. In My Wife and How I found Her, published in America by Godey's Lady's Book in 1860, the beroine, a school marm, reduced by circumstances to taking in washing, replies to the narrator's proposal, "And will you take me, Nathaniel, you so cultivated, so fastidious, and almost a millionaire, me with-out a dollar in the world and whom you found over a washtuh?" Cinderella is alive and well apart from a slight touch of washday red. . .

Womeo's magazine fiction has always tried to sugar the pill, to coat the inevitable—at this to coat the inevitable—at this time, either marriage or spinsterhood devoted to the care of aging parents—with excitement or poblity, not to force its readers in come to terms with reallty. While magazines like Ladies Home Journal in America at the turn of the series are resolved over their bahy daughter's crib. "Speak up, young 'un. Say 'Votes for Women'." "It's the only thing she knows", he said gravely. The child made a hubbly noise that sounded like "Goo"... "You see", said her father, "What did I tell you?"

urhan decay and even venerea disease, the fiction was still primarily concerned with courtship and marriage, and used the issues of the day as window dressing. The heroine of dressing. "Through the Open Door" published hy Lodics Home published by Lodies Home Journal in 1913, wants to re-sume her work for women's suffrage after her marriage sgainst her hushand's wishes.
After a few stirring speeches
about marriage heing "a partoership hetween two equal selfrespecting people" their differences are resolved over their
bahy daughter's crib. "Speak

drop-out or some other member of the new elite. So far, women'a magazine fiction and women's liheration haveo't really come to terms with each other (though Spare Rib did publish a smry by Margaret Drabble sbout a writer ho was more plessed, surprisngly, that a literary lion found her sexually attractive than that he admired her work), and it is unlikely that they will since their goals are fundamentally opposed. No matter how the trimmings

change, as Mirahel Cecil's book shows, the hulk of women's magazine fiction still sees marriage as the only truly worth-while goal, and as loog as the majority of women believe it, there will he no shortage of readers, only too anxious to escape from its realities in the fantasy the magazine stories

Heroines In Love hy Mirahel Cecil is published hy Micbael Joseph at £4.50.

Gay Search

# Helping the intelligent disabled to help themselves

Look into anyone's eyes at Oakwood, and you see reality. Though their bodies may be twisted, untidy affairs, their minds speak out through those eyes—bright, searching and also dis-comforting. Not because here is spasticity often at its worst, but because a question is posed which mut be answered.

If Oakwood has 16 men and women studying. working and living there, what of all the other intelligent severely disabled who are not? This Further Education Ccoure at Kelvedon, Essex, is unique, there's no establishment like it in the world. At the moment there are three vacancies. Not only is it difficult to helieve only the present group exists to qualify, it's downright unlikely. Margaret, Anne, Geoffrey,
Andrew and their frieods are no rare birds.
They must have dozens of counterparts sitting around listlessly at home.

Margaret Pearce (33) left a special school wheo she was 16, a severe spastic with a speech problem. She was pronounced by a hospital almoner as totally unemployshle, and went home to Wolverhampton to make haskets. For the next eight years, she doggedly worked at bandicrafts unil one day a new welfare officer started visiting ber. "Oakwood's the place for you", came the astounding suggestion, after long talks together.

As one of its earliest students, Margaret wrote the first essay in her life: she learned to read at home when she was four, and doubts if she would ever otherwise have hecome

"I thought Oakwood was just to fill in time hefore going back to my basketwork. Then we all took an apritude test for the Ford Motor Company's computer programming course. I passed, became fascinated in the subject, later sat the exams and emerged a qualified com-puter programmer. The fact that it showed a way 10 earn my own income was at first the main attraction. But since then I've become so much involved in the learning process I've started a four-year BA degree course in Computer Science at the University of Essex." And

two years ago, Margaret married and look oo domestic responsibilities as well.

Andrew Candler, in his early twenties, did not, as it happened, need to be rescued from the tedium of home industry or residential routine. Well aware of the "cboice" open to him once he left special school at Brentwood, he determined not be cartle for the learner TV. he determined not to settle for the lounge TVand-books existence to which his less seventurous companions were usually channelled.

Andrew hopes, when he has passed his higher cational certificate in business studies to work in local government.

Oakwood was opened in 1964 hy the Spastics Society as an experimental and pioneering project to help high IQ severely handicapped spastics continue their studies in an intellectually and socially stimulating atmosphere, rather like a university.

Single-storeyed throughout, it fits neatly be-tween two old huildings in Kelvedon's village high street, near Colchester. There were also splendid ideas in circulation at the time among other organizations to make provision for average intelligence centres all over England. Not many have got off the ground. For this, a hreakdown in communications may be partially responsible—but the real hlame eppears to he

lack of curiosity and of initiative. In sbort a sbeer dulling of the buman spirit."

Too many disabled have heen accustomed from early childhood to have everything done for them. Small wonder, thus over-protected they neither stretch their minds fully nor reach any fair degree of maturity. It is agreed by most of Oakwood's sixteen that unless they themselves had energetically pressed to go there, they would still he submerged. When Michsel Levinge came from Duhlin eight years ago to study for A-levels in British Coostinution and English Law, his mother "telephoned a lot" during his first week at Kelvedon, anxious for reassurance her son was heing anxious for reassurance her son was heing cared for as before.

"Every time she rang, I was out!" Michael remembers glaefully, with a wink about the local pub. He bas since married a feliow student, a dark-eyed French girl called Anne. Her case is typical of outward appearances giving the lie to tooer strengths. She studied Japanese at the Sorbonne in Paris, cao read fluently six Isnguages and plans—once she and

Michael have moved to their own home in the oeigbbourhood—to write children's books. Yet Anne is a multiple spastic.

Oakwood, costing £40,000 a year to ruo (one third of that subsidized by the Spastics Society, who would welcome non-spastic disabled to fill the yacspaics), is on place for rules and reguthe vacsocies), is oo place for rules and regu-lations. There's an absence of pressure from on top about study, and no restriction on coo-duct. Since students are adult, they are treated as such, encouraged from tha first to develop a broad outlook. It clearly means a great deal to everyone st last to be treated as grown up.
Mr Doherty, bimself disabled, is concerned
less with their academic schievement than he
is with the quality of their future lives.

is with the quality of their future lives.

Geoffrey Busby illustrates well huw this selfreliance can flower in the right climate. Six
years ago he uodertook the computer programming course and hecame a professional. Two
years ago, shortly before getting married, be
discovered "nose power": instead of operating
bis Possum electronic machine with his feet
(his only limbs under full cootrol) he realized
be could type instructions more quickly with
the tip of his nose—at 12 wpm. He achieves
two-thirds of the normal programmer's daily two-thirds of the normal programmer's daily output and works extra bours to make up the difference. He earns, as a freelance, about £1,000 a year, not enough to provide for a ressonable standard of living.

"You get penalized by the State for helping yourself", be comments ruefully. "If I badn't become salaried, I should be living in an institution and costing the country at least double what I'm earning through productivity. . ."
In the evening, Geoffrey pushes himself out into the High Street and up the hill—backwards—to his council flat, half a mile away. Only when the ground is icy is he unable to make the journey alone. Yet all this man misses these days is not mixing with other professionals, exchanging ideas and tackling computer problems together. "I'm working in a void necause my disability makes it impossible to

get out and about." Thirty years ago, Geoffrey as an adult would have heen hidden away out of sight somewhere, after a childhood spent in a mentally subnormal childreo's ward. Certainly society has advanced since then. But has it advanced far or fast—enough to keep pace with the real Geoffrey and his needs, and those of countless possibly still unrecognized other bright disabled?

Rosemary March

# Herb seeds with a

In the seventeenth century and even earlier, when palates were tougher than ours and herb seeds like those of angelica, anise, caraway, coriander, cumin, dill, fennel and caraway, corrange, parsley were in more common use for flavouring purposes, it aeems that a few were "put into the pocket on Sundays", to he chewed to "relieve the horedom" during lengthy church and chapel services. Later, perhaps as sermons were extended, more nourisb-ing imported pine kernels and

sunflower seeds were added to the mixture in the pocket. Most of the herbs' seeds con-tain a concentration of strongsmelling essential oils which are more widely diffused throughout the rest of their flowers, leaves and stems.

The idea was good and some of the seeds could he used to

advantage still as a replacement for sweets or hiscuits for those who crave between-meal snacks. But unfortunately all the berbseeds are not only flavoursome. Their virtues are varied, so they must be selected with csre.

Most of them have useful digestive qualities and are eventually appetite-promoters. Those with pleasantly fragrant oils, like anise and caraway and coriander replace "tha breath that stinketh, with clean fresb odoura" but angelica seeds can "cause a heavy sweat" and Chervil (Anthriscus cerefolium), although delightful as a ground-cover plant for gardens, needs to be skilfully selected from similar-looking hut poisonous members of the same hotanical family.

family.

Dill, though delicious in flavour and an asset when grown to any herhaceous horder, was named from the Norse dilla, meaning to lull, and nowadays cumin seems to bave increased its "strong or rancke" flavour and smell. Parsley seeds in quantity might have disastrous effect with their admitted diuretic property, so that only fennel is left to seem inoncuous. It has indeed or so it was said, a propensity to encourage "those who are fat to grow lean" as well as a reputation for "con-suming phlegmatick humours".

Possibly it would be wiser to concentrate on most of these herhs for decorative and diluted cooking purposea and to chew pine kernels and sunflower seeds which are both hland, lacking in strong flavour, but on the whole more satisfying, rich in protein and contain trace elements of several mineral salts as well as vitamins, for eating at meetings and as a distraction from less beoeficisl

Many of the herhs mentioned can be obtained from E. & A. Evetts, Ashfields Herh Nursery, Hinstock, Market Drayton, Shropshire.

snacks.

Alison Ross

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# Singapore journalist is fined for contempt

From Our Correspondent

Singapore, Dec 1
Chief Justice Wee Chong Jin yesterday fined a part-time Newsweek correspondent, Miss Pang Cheog Lian, 1,500 Singapore dollars (about £280) for contempt of court over a Newsweek article which, he said, alleged that Singapore's courts were biased and partial in favour of the Government. favour of the Government.

Miss Paog had explained that she had merely supplied material for an article which was written in New York. An affidavit from Mr Rohert Christopher, of Newsweek's New York nffice, had supported her on this point.

He didn't have the content of the search that people far more respon-sible for the offending article the were out of the jurisdiction of said the court. The distributors of ity.

Newsweek in Singapore were also fined.

The case arose from an article headed "Siogapore—selective justice" in Newswaek's international edition of November 11. It dealt with the High Court's dismissal in October of a defamation action by the opposi-tion Singapore Workers' Party against a member of the ruling People's Actor Party, over elec-

ported her on this point. scanty or inaccurate that sn He added that he regretted article based on it amounted to a scandalizing of the court, then Miss Pang could fairly be said to bear some responsibil-

# Hopes of oil in Falklands embarrass Britain

By A. M Rendel The possibilities of large heen long established unantities of oil being discovered under the continental over the islands—it can be seen to be sometimental over the same and the seen long established. ahelf south of the Falkland Islands is now causing the British Government much emharrasssment.

A Canadian company has in the area, but a representative empire. of the Department of Energy said on Friday that no inquiries could be answered and that the of the dispute by developing matter was being handled by the cultural and commercial links Foreign and Commonwealth

Office. and that the matter was under consideration.

The possibility of a rich oilfield off the Falkland Islands is emharcassing in that it has already stimulated a press campaign in Argentina to reactivate paign in Argentina to reactivate islanders. desire to remain paign in Sovereignty over the constitutions in the Argentine press that field off the Falkland Islands is islands. The Falkland Islands Britain is milking Argentine rehave heen under British occupa-tion since 1833 and in the British economy.

view British sovereignty has Argeotina claims sovereignty over the islands—it calls them

the Malvinas-on the ground that they were part of the Spanish dominions to which Argention succeeded when it hecame an independent country applied for oil exploration rights on the hreak-up of the Spanish In recent years both sides

have tried to take the heat out between the islands and Argentina. The British Government A Foreign Office spokesman said there had been a number of inquiries about oil exploration consider the wishes of the 2,000 consider the wishes of the 2,000 Falkland Islanders who have always been in favour of remain-

ing British.
Reports of the oil deposits,

As Oakwood's principal, Mr Edward Doherty remarks: "People who are treated like sheep all their lives naturally tend to behave like sheep. The sheep neurosis gives way to apathy,

In her article on Richard Adams published on this page on November 8th, Jenny Rees said that he was once head boy of Bradfield Schnol. Mr Adams now assures us that he "was not even a house prefect."

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and George Logan. The one has

sged woman.

fundamental nature of a small orchestra like the NSO, needless m say. Bur the orchestra is not currently as refined as it has sometimes shown itself in the past, and it may bave been for that reason that the concert lacked the subtler shades of A certain classical severity of phrasing and texture to lend style, if not of mood, characterized Friday's concert by the Northern Sinfonia under its young principal conductor, spread in the upper dynamics.

Fortunately these are not much called for by Goehr's rather introspective score, which discourses a good deal in the middle register at mediom dynemics. Mr Seaman conducted a lucid, but oot unfeeling performance, devoid of all mannerism, es indeed was his conducting of every work on the programme

Ourstandingly the heat performance, however, was of the Mozart symphony, still inhihited

Alan Blyth

Choice of programme can nearly slways tell us e good deel ahout an artist, especially a pianist. Moura Lympany, who used to be known for ber championship of rweptieth-cantury piano coocertos of the more leonine kind, it greater stature. decided on a discerning selection of pieces from the regular eighteenth and nineteenthcentury repertory for her recital on Thursday evening and

understanding of what Busoni was about in his adaptations, particularly in the soft, lngratiaring line of the Adagio and the intricacies of the Fugue, that harsh thoughts about the inaptness of the whole project were

Delight in textura and clear articulation were again prominent in Mozart's K330 Sopata, hut in the exposition of the first movement, I was worried that this might he a bad, old Dresden-

(Alan Dobie) putting up for the night at a spa hotel where be spent much of his yooth. Multiple expositions follow, from the hotel porter who remembers it all, from the visitor's young companion, and from others who arrive no the scene, some in modern dress, some in the costume of 40 years ago. The phrase they use repeatedly is "Why am I telling you all this?"

In so far as any point comes across, it is that children are worth more attention than adults. But it is not for this author's fixed ideas that one attends to the play hut for the ingenuity with which he walks his chosen tightrope. Why does the police superintendent (Michael Rothwell) pursuing the hero have no interest in making an arrest? Whar are the given circumstances that justify this this?" circumstances that justify this
At first it seems like bungled kind of kaleidoscopic bincraftsmanship, which is a clear graphy? Anough has a deft

", he said ponderously,

think I shall now take a glass

In The Tennysons: Back-

ground to Genius, Tennyson's

grandson (who is 95 this year)

presents, with his co-author, evidence to show that the whole

of stout."

The Tennysons

Background to Genius

**By Sir Charles** 

Tennyson and

Hope Dyson

(Macmillan, £4.95)

craftsmanship, which is a clear sign that Anouilh knows exactly what be is doing. Given a ridiculous and maudiin plot, no one could do more to palm It off. To begin with, Mr Dohie tectfully glides hehind pillars whenever the past takes possession of the stage, but by degrees the play establishes a theatrical present tense, hence the title, in which the characters can double into elder and younger selves and confront one another across time. Mr Dobie's character appears simultaneously at three self; and Charlotte Cornwell's ages; likewise his mistress is spitfire mistress is matched seen as a glittering young against a pair of deadly bourseen as a glittering young against a pair of deadly bour-tigress and a destructe hag, and geois portraits by Elizabeth his wife as a child and middle- Counsell and Marilyn Taylerson. An empty hut engaging evening.

> ing his notoriously vulgar double-entendre up hill and down scale. The jokes are mainly musical, much in the manner of the Bel Cantos who used to he found in music-hall

or curis, all teeth and chatter; the other, dark and academically soulful, sits at the piano.

Together they hring culture, which can only mean City. their own sloping shoolders. Halfway through they introduce a "real" baritone, who takes the audience off on the roed to Mandalay and elsewhere. A pity, hecause the mood at ooce broadens and coarsens. Perri St Clair and George Logan, who heve huilt up a substantial cult following since their appearances ar the Edinburgh Festival, should stick to their own creations and heware of intruders.

> hy difficulties within the orchestra, but decisive and assured in movement and thrillingly sustained. Prosaic details admittedly obtruded here and there, and the music would have gained in brilliance with a more forward flute-player, especially in the Finale. The flautist, as it happened, was David Haslam, who earlier gave an effortless and relaxed account of the Nielsen without quite putting the music across the footlights. Here, too, it was mainly brilliance of sound, espacially io high bravura passages, that seemed lacking.

The Beethoven soloist was Welter Klien, apparently deter-miced on a completely objecmiced of a completely objective, uncomplicated reading of this extrovert concerto. The approach missed plainness hy a whisker, and while much of the keyboard passage-work was adroidy placed, but everything was as clean as the type of performance presupposed. performance presupposed

Moura Lympany Queen Elizabeth Hall

soon silenced.

Chioa Mozart. Fears were al-ready stilled to the movement's wonderful development and quite dispersed by the probing, subtly phrased, yet never too intense account of the Andante cantabile, where the cootrast hetween the repose of the first part end the melancholy of the F minor middle section was ficely pointed, and the hrilli-ance of the Finale was duly attained All rapeats in the work were observed, thereby lending

Mendelssohn's sérieuses are unaccouotahly neglected these days. They are, one of the most succinct and rewarding of the composer's hrought to each a true understanding of metier and appropriate style.

Bach/Busoni is not to everyone's taste (it is not to mine), hut Miss Lympsny champiooed the arrangement of the organ Toccata in C with such a firm understanding of what Busoni understanding of what Busoni works and, in spite of one or two moments when all did oot go quite right technically. Miss Lympaoy geve them that proper weight and emphasized their unity of thought, making them true to their name. Definition was not always the reading's strong point; thought-fulness certainly was. piano works and, in spite of one If Chopin's B minor Sonata

did not quite complete the satis-faction felt at the interval, it was ofteo ao enjoyable interpretation taken on its nwn terms. These were directness of meaning, avoidance of rhetoric and a true sense of struc-ture. The work can say more, bur what it did say here, except in a rather hesitant Scherzo, was honestly and fully expressed.

seems to have shot a hole in was consequently mildly one of the windows of Trinity If it was draughty in cl College Chapel, and grew up to he the ill, unhalanced, harddrinking Rector of Somersby. and to father a great English poet and several minor ones.

Frederick, the poet's elder hrother, was fairly normal, his eccentricity restricted to Tennyson was not withour his eccentricities. "Madam, your stays creak!" he once engaging a full opera orchestra to serenade him at his house near Fiesole; though he did also seem to have a fixation about clothes. "Where are my announced to a startled visitor, arrempting to retrieve the situatrousers?" he would rage np and down the stairs; "I have tion some moments later by correcting himself: "It was my braces." Similarly, he had a wily habit of disconcerning the expectant. When a small group of people insisted on following him round the Royal Academy, waith 40 pairs and I can only find 35 ". Charles was a charming opium addict and rural clergyman; Edward died in an asylum; another brother, a hypochondriac, used to introduce himself ing for morsels of criticism, he (lying flat on the hearth-rug) with the words: "I am Septimus, the most morbid of paused for some time hefore a grandiose painting. The little crowd pushed forward. Finally, he turned to his wife. "My the Tennysoos." Horatio was so vegue as to

appear "somewhat unused to the planet", and would slide food from the dinner-table into his pockets for the unfortunate, frequently forgetting it, so thet ha smelt strongly of fish for some days. Arthur, though he took to drink, was fairly coventional (despite e good start, when he was found as a small noems only insignificant. Tennyson family was fairly extraordinary. There was the poet's father, George, rejected when he was found as a small child groping about under the dining-table, trying to find God's legs).

ar a very early age by his parents ("I think I never saw There were four deughters, liveliest can possibly at a child so rude and ungovernthree of whom wrote poetry. The fourth, Matilda, bad been dropped no her head to rhe able," said his mother, who probably helped to make him so). While at Cambridge he coal-scuttle at an early age, and

she was giveo to raisiz umbrella, and in a cre London shop once lay in a (in hooset and veil, l boots and jet heads, clu the same umbrella) to that it was, or was not, enough. Mary wrote soon Swedeoborgian theology Emily, whose life was sha by the death of her Henry Hallam, always tra with a stout lap-dog raven, whose raw food w

up at table.

This is often a wildly book, hur also e fasc exposition of the expans a yeoman family to Vi England, and a sad boo for all the Tennysons wer ro religious obsessions, a dark veio which ran t Alfred's character and duced, under pressure, se poems only insignifican compared with Alfred' No one inverested in Te or in Eoglish ecceptricit miss this book.

Derek P

National Musicians' Platform Leeds

Joan Chissell

Of the 80 entrants in the Leeds National Musiciaus' Platform, 23 were chosen by e panel under the chairmanship of Lord Boyle to give short public recitals in the Great Hall of the university last Thursday and Friday, and from these, another seven to appear in 45-minute programmes in the Town Hall no Saturday. Designed to assist the young in launching a career, this enterprising new venture was open to singers, chamber ensembles and solo instrumenta-lists other than pianists (already well cared-for in Leeds) up to the age of 30.

Of Saturday's seven, heard hy an audience including represen-tatives of the concert world, radio, television and press, three were singers, two of them memorable for different reasons. With Anne-Marie Connors, a soaring Verdian-type sopraco, it was the voice itself that thrilled. The cone loses some bloom in the middle. Production still need care, but the potential is enormous. Performances of Brahms's "Mainacht" (earlier on) and Walmn's "Rhyme" also suggested that she should oever musical purpose eodervle, should also be specific.

not so much his baritone voice watched in the next

The Nutcracker

I cannot remember when I last saw Antoinette Sibley dance

brightness of her dancing is marched by Anthopy Dowell as the prioce. I find his Drossel-

(though it progressively and warmed) as his sensitivity and gift of pheric evocation. The tribute to his perform Schumenn's dichterlieb outstandingly poetic he Eric Levi) was the siles followed it before anyon hreak the spell with a Though this or that betrayed rechoical imp it would be diffcult to a reading shaped and tio keeoer intelligence y sounding less calculate sounding less calculate simple and truly vulner. The third singer wa Knapp, a highly culdwal haritone. His voice we honeyed than Mr Titus's characterization less pot

Woodwind standard encouraging too. The tist, Robert Bramley, to people's hreeth eway 1 own hreath coorrexquisitely phable phrashis range of colour not ing edginess if it ser expressive purpose. partnered by Roger \
the oboeist, Graham
eschewed all special | (Strauss needed more) ing of conspicuous tone and control. Of the sur

Covent Garden

John Percival

with such bappiness as she showed to The Nutcracker on Saturday. Nobody could grudge her the darker, more complex roles which she has said she wants m play, bur it would be a sad day if she ever gave up altogether those parts where she expresses, with rare radiance, the spirit of simple goodness. Simplicity, in fact, is not easy on stage. And one must out be fooled: her last solo may have

looked like a spontaneous expression of joy, hut such cspri-cious playing with the music, such deliciously judged rubato, is something seen all too rarely, needing a real grasp of the music to succeed. The breadth and bita and

meyer perheps a little too grim: his direction.

he looks so sinister et it is scarcely credible starts entertaining the at the party. But once the heavy make-up of comes end rely convinc as the dream hero an hrief transformetions l the eccentric old man. At every performant Royal Baller's Nuterack is a third ster shall honours with the two dancers. I am thin Nicholas Georgiadis, w tings and costumes be grandeur, giving Clars tures a wholly convir vironment at every poable to treet the classification with origina even magic. Rosemary Taylor, this.

new Louisa, has plent socality and punch, h to fine down her danci Spanish entry. The I Nutcracker seems ro special appeal for Young, and the orches rains its bigh standar

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# reig's defiant century keeps ngland in Test hunt

John Woodcock t Correspondent

eroic innings by Greig, who England's first 100 at engianus inst 100 at the since Maurice Leyland in bere in 1936-37, cut has first innings lead to the first Test match today. d with Edwards and Ian Il both going early in Aus-second innings, they, rather agland, finished the day in

ar, a tensely fluctuating has been played in ar, a tensely fluctuating has been played in ally fine weather. On the yening England held the mand, on the second Australia, who tead 95 runs, have the better of winning. England, how-fill be feeling happler than re this roorning. Tomorrow t day, after which there are sing days left. gland could have picked up d Chappell this evening it I think, he level pegging, with a lung final session in 1. of two hours and a half as taken between ioning—1 soon had Edwards caught wicket by Knott, diving in first slip. When Underame nn with 70 minutes 1 Chappell was at once at slip, a good low right catch by Fletcher. he rest of the day Underanged away, with Luckclose at short leg as Greig sily point. Underwood's when stumps were drawn

when slumps were drawn seven-five-three-one, and seven-five-three-one, and happell and Redpaib bad full streich to keep him is was more because of ood's acutely accurate than any irregularioes in

h. England were in such yesterday, the ball was more than it did today. It ing a little but not fast, nger for England will he n their second lunnings, thomson and Lillee are not the ball is hard and its likely to be the next. at is likely to be the next racking phase of a hard match, in which no has been asked or given reluctantly, hy one fast to another. Because, to her, they mostly pinth the the tailenders of both ve made some valuable

s bandred was his sixth in thes, his first against Aus-It was more than an it was an expression of a rallying call. He came for four, with England on before the Australian fast Right from the start he the fight to the Australian se riled them with his le got the "aggro ' going, one more thao Lillee. This age of one glant bearding se of one glant bearding When Greig crashed rough the covers for four. Hed the boundary himself Bourish which there was of Lillee missing. To do to thing you have to be jugh, and confident with manuad All is. In this pivas Greig.

thing today he slashed to or three times at the pres, chasing them outside mmp as though determined this them wherever they But his judgment for the rt was wonderfully good, vever fast the bowling, be inched. As an example to
It was just what was
The crowd took to him too. lo persuade him to play ausland next year. When caught at the wicker off

agn nothing was broken) all that he was ont. Early ning, therefore, England & Knon and the four come as prospective

hats Club, Chelmsford.

an elderly gentleman
the pattern of the afterschey match. "No matter
the the crisis", he said,
dishire will survive it."

Articly have they marked.

exactly bow they moved east group final of the

cast group final of the hampionship, spoosored on and Hedges, leaving ponder the consequences of chances. The final actionshire will be played on Occember 22.

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holders), they were not is bener on the day's

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Jazell picked up a clear-m a short corner and the ball through a



A short ball from Lillee rises high nver Greig's head.

Knott and Lever were quite soon gone, Knott caught in the gully off one of his less good strokes. Lever

caught at slip.
When Underwood came in England were 168 for seven.
Although he has been batting above his known form on this tour. it seemed to be expecting too much that he should do so now. But he did. Regularly encouraged by Greig, between overs, and presenting a straight bat, at dmes a fiashing one, Underwood was England's answer to Walker, who made 41 not out at the end of Australia's first innings. Underwood's populing that was a strategi Australia's first innings. Underwood's opening shot was a stroke through the covers off Walker. reminiscent of Dexter. He stayed for 75 minutes, adding 58 with Grelg, every run an Irritation to Australia. In the end, playing too soon at the first hall of a relieving spell by Walters, after seeing off the new ball. Underwood was caught at extra cover.

Grelg was 93 by now. Off the third over with the new ball he and Underwood had hit Thomson for 15, each getting four for a slash over the slips. This prompted Ian Chappell to move as deep at first slip as anyone since Bill Edrich fielded there to Frank Tyson out here In 1954. Grelg

Tyson out here in 1954. Greig went to bis 100 with two magnificent strokes through the covers off Lillee and then lofted Walters first over mid-on, then over cover first over mid-on, then over cover point for two more fours before uplayed with much courage played with much courage this him on the finger all the previous over all this him on the finger all the previous over all this him on the finger all the previous over all this him on the finger all this even the previous over the provious over the provious over the provious over the provious of the provious and given one chance, a low one control the previous over the provious over t so disconcerding, especially yester-day. Greig used his beight to scutch, either that or be swayed out of the line like a poplar to

the breeze. One must be careful about calling an innings " great"

rtfordshire make final after crises

corners were spent, one hit by Menzies going perilously near the

nearly going between the services of another goal.

Brooker's shot was saved by Kaye and the follow-up was stopped on the life by Espott.

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One of the best moves by Essex was seen five minutes before the interval. It was one in which almost every forward took part, culminading to Nirinda Slingh's shot which was well saved by Hurst. With the Hertfordshire defence soil struggling to clear, Bond seized the ball in the middle of the circle and shor wide.

Back went Essex into the second

of the circle and shor wide.

Back went Essex into the second half full of vigour aud for 10 minutes they kept hammering away, hut Hertfordshire went further altead in the thirteenth minute from a penalty-stroke. It was dispoted by some of the Essex defenders who thought that Escott had stopped the ball cleanly with his hand from Brooker's scoop, a view which was not shared by the mmpire. Whitaker converted with a well placed stroke. The penalty stroke was preceded by a short corner from which Brooker's first shot was well saved by Kaye.

Far from being dispirited, Essex Essex presents

was well saved by kaye.
Far from being dispirited, Essex put more effort into their stacks and the Hertfordshire citadel was under beavy seige in the last five minutes. Hurst saved a strong shot by Menzies off a short corner, and there was a threat of a goal

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Hertfordshire 2

Pavilion steps of HoffNorts Club. Chelosoford

specific of anxiety. A well-sustained
Essex attack with Taylor prominent posed a serious threat,
and in five minutes three short

but in all the circumstances Greig's, I think, was, Test scorecard

AUSTRALIA...First innings
I. R. Redpath, b willio
W. J. Edwards, c Amiss, b Hendrick
"I. M. Ghagpell, c Greig, b Willia
G. S. Ghappell, c Fricker, b
Underwood
R. Edwards, c Knott, b Underwood
K. II. Waiters, c Lever, b Willis
'R. Marsh, c Bonness, b Hendrick
T. J. Jeonor, c Lever, b Wills
II. K. Lillee, c Knott, b Greig
M. H. Walker, not out
J. R. Thomson, run out
Extras (1-b d, n-b 2)

Total (2 wkg) 57 FALL OF WICKETS 1-15, 3-39, BOWLING 110 date) - Willis B-3 2-11 Lever, 7-3-8-0; Hendrick, 11-24-0; Underwood, 7-5-3 ENGLAND,—First Innings Amiss, c Jenner, b Thomson V. Luckhurst, c Marsh, b B. W. Luckhurst, c Marsh, b Thomson J. H Edrich, C L Chappell, h H. Dennoss, I-b-w. b Walker W. Greig, c Marsh, b Lillee ... A. P. E. Knott, g Jonuer, b Walker ... Lever, c L Chappell, b Walker Lever, c L Chappell, b Walker L. Undorwood, c Redpalb, b

Sunal Gavaskar, will lead India in the second Test match against West Indies, starting in New Delhi on December 11, in place of the injured Mansur Ali Khan.

LONDON LEAGUE: Blackheath 1.
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Bpencer 0. Guildford 2: Tulse Hill 4.
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Somerset 1. Oevon 2. Dorset 0.
Gloucestershire 2: Cornwall 5. Hereford

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# Waddington's knees may be wobbling soon

Nerman Fex. Totally cenfused by seeiog six different leaders of the first division in six weeks, these ef us who are supposed to know semething about foetball yesterday grasped at the positive statement of the heekmakers, William Hill, who announced that Liverpuol were 9 to 4 favourites, with Everton at 6 to 1, and Ipswich Town and Steke City on 7 to 1. A racing expert took one look at those figures and said: "It's a one-horse race", though he did admit that Leeds United were in the secend division when he last went te a football match.

Stoke City's turn at the top this week is something of a Boy's Own story for their manager, Tony Waddington, who used to ge are und the bargain basements of the first division looking for famous players with wonky knees that might just last another season. Now he has the

To start with an admission, writes mest expensive gealkeeper in Britain and internationals who are not always able to make the first team. The werk that Mr Waddington has

put in to bring about what may be a passing mement of glery is reflected quite unintentionally, in his comment yesterday.: "In this kind nf area, you have th encourage peeple to watch foothall. It is a questien of prejecting atmosphere. e must bave personalities on the field as well as good footballers. I am very pleased at the way things are turning out now, but we must

improve away from home." Even in this haffling season in which five points separate the leading dozen cluhs, attendances go from the absurdly low to the term's record ef over 60,000 at Saturday's game between Manchester United and Sunderland, and nn top tesm can be assured of victory nver one from the lower end, the fact that

Stoke can head the table in spite of having won only two away matches in nine is extraordinary. And they are not alone in this ioability to win away. Of the 12 leaders, Everton, Manchester City and Newcastle United have all only won once outside of their own terrimry. Stake themselves are unheaten at home, yet bave net wen away

since September 7.

If, at last, the confusion is to clear and lesve a picture of the future, the crucial period will prehably be the next fortnight. This will be the time when the bookmakers could prove that keeping one's money with Liverpool is a pulicy based on experience. When the atmosphere hecomes tense, Liverpool usually play on the nerves of their rivals. A win over Derhy County at Anfield next week, and then what should he an easy victory over the now forlorn Luton Town, could take

Liverpool back into the lead while Stoke have twe away matches at Birmingham and Leeds.

Assuming that bome advantage is going to be more than usually influential in the weeks before Christmas, London's enly club in the chase. West Ham United, sheuld countinue in be as stractively successful agaiost Leeds United and

Manchester City as they were at

Queen's Park Rangers on Sarurday. The furrunes of the luwer London clubs get more complicated as they trample on each other in the scramble to get away from Luton Town and Carlisle United, who have airendy heen stamped as the relegstion certainties in some quarters. Arsenal's bleak 2-0 defeat of Middleshrough and Tottenham Hetspur's 1-0 win at Sheffield United only made life more difficult for Chelsea, whn lost 2—0 at Leeds and are in the bot seat, third from last.

# of an elusive pot of gold

By Tom Freeman
They are talking seriously in the
Potteries towns now about the
chances of Stoke City winning the chances of Stoke City wanning the football League championship for the first o'me in their 100 years' bistory. Saturday's 1—0 win against Leicester City bas put Stoke at the top of the table, a point clear, with almost half the matches

with the League championship more open than it has been for years ir would be unwise even for a Potterles man, like myself, to be over optimistic. Yet Stoke, on Saturday, showed the sort of determination and confidence that breeds champions.

On a pitch which reacted like a pudding in most places, where it was an effort to move the ball at all, let alone place it with any accuracy, Stoke set about Leicester accuracy, Stoke set about Leicester so vigorously it is surprising that their reward was a mere 1—0 victory. Indeed, it seemed that Stoke, for all their effort, were going to be deprived of a point until five minutes from the end when Smith finally forced the ball home.

From the moment when Hurst found the net in the opening minutes—the referee gave an off-side decision—nutil the final whistle, Stoke hardly ever let up in their efforts to find a gap in the Leicester defence, forcing innumerable corners in the process. You can imagine from this that it

Yon can imagine from this that it was not the ideal match for a 19vear-old goalkeeper making his first appearance in League football. Yet young Carl Jayes for Leicester did reasonably well. Having so much to do he was obviously tense and nervous, particularly when bandling the high cross balls, but be made one or two good saves

By Tom German
When the tunnit subsided and
Manchester United were settled
even more securely astride the
second division, 3—2 winners at
Old Trafford on Saturday over
their closest pursuers, Sunderland, looger-term logic permeated
the eupborla which attached to a
fine match: It would be a sad

deprivation for the first division if either side should stumble and

il either side should stumble and fall by the wayside between now and April. Both bave that sure beariog to mix in more influential company, and they paraded it before the biggest league crowd of the season—60,500—with a style which made the most optimistic expectations seem unambitious. Sunderland took the first half, Manchester the second, but the match offeed and swayed so that there was no rest for the noisy, northern choruses. An explosive two minutes early in the affair set the tempo and spiced the already charged atmosphere. First, Manchester struck as Macari timed his pass beautifully and Pearson swerved away to his left to dispatch a low shot into the corner. Within 60 seconds Sunderland had responded as Hugbes bundled in

By Tom German

and certainly was in oo way to blame for Smith's goal. In contrast Shilton in the other goal was rarely troubled by his old team mates. Leicester played a sensible, if caurious, game, defend-ing stubbornly with Glover and Weller using the drier, firmer areas of the pitch skilfully whenever there was a break. Leicester's scoring efforts, however, were severely limited.

severely limited.

Shilton's arrival at the Victoria ground for £340,000 has not been taken all that kindly by some of Stoke's older supporters who are cridcal of the whole policy of huying "big names", pointing out that in the old daya Boh McGrory produced a great team which hardly cost a penny. However, McGrory clever though he was in finding great players from the streets of the Potteries, never quite managed to hring off the League title. Tony Waddington, the present Stoke manager, could bring it off this season, which would be B reward for his years of patience, persistence and dedication.

STOKE CITY: P. Shilton; J. Mersh. M. Pelle, E. Skeels, H. Smith, A. Hodd. J. Robertson, J. Greenholt, G. Hursi 10th; I. Mooresi, A. Hudson, C. Salmons, L. Greenfer, S. Whill-Mona: I. Moures: A. Japes: S. Whil-LEICESTER CITY: G. Japes: S. Whil-worth, Z. Vales, S. Earle, M. Munro, G. Gross, K. Weller, J. Sammels, F. Worthington, A. Zirchensil, L. Clover, Referee: I. P. Jones (Treherris).

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Worcestor v Ounstable 17.301.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE:
Altrincham v Mailock (7.301; Mossley
v Goole (7.301.

siders' middle line took a hold, Porterfield gulded them with a skilful left foot, and Kerr often burst threateningly along the right to expose Manchester's defence, despite Holton's return,

with deep, searching crosses aimed beyond the far post. Hughes, a bounding, black-halred terrier,

more than a boot length from claiming a treble. Macari, a surer, more perceptive

reached two of them

# Stoke may be the workshop | Old hands at helm as West Ham sail out

After so many years looking like a spotless ocean going yacht that always stayed in harbour. West Ham United are at last on the point of joining the real tace at the top of the first division. They have Leeds United and Manchester city as their next oppouents, but after a tenacions 2—U win over Queen's Park Rangers at Loftus Road on Saturday, they are nicely positioned before the Christmas rusb.

To give all of the credit to John Lyall for his realistic team man-agement is to ignore the fact that agement is to ignore the fact that West Ham have launched themselves into the open sea with two comparatively old hands after seasons of boasting that their hest players came from within a tenpenny hus ride of Upton Park. Gould, ex-Coventry City, Arsenal. Wolverhampton Wanderers, West Bromwich Albion and Bristol City, and Paddon, ex-Coventry and Norwich City, have carried the West Ham revolution on their shoulders in true worker tradition.

If in this strange and rather mixleading season West Ham should celebrate their 75th year should celebrate their 75th year by being champions, the chances are that Gould, in particular, will not receive a fair proportion of the praise. Whereas the contribu-tions made by Jennings, Robson and Brooking never seem to get

"sticks" ro put some teeth into Ron Greenwood's fine and nustvideas. To some he is 15 years behind his day, a "centre forward" in the mould of the players who could charge a goal-keeper into the net from six yards. He is really more like the MP's agent, someone who ensures that ageot, someooe who ensures that

ageot, someone who ensures that someone else gets the credit. Paddoo is of similar type only in a midfield capacity, and be was the most positive and forceful player in Saturday's absorbing game. Much as rhe modernists would discredit the phrase, his ability is to "get stuck in". It always used to be something that only Bonds did for West Ham and It was something of an embarrass. It was something of an embarrass-ment to them. Oseen's Park Rangers still suffer from a similar deficiency—their midfield work is not bad if the team bappen to be winning, but under pressure nohody seems to go out and win

Unlike the West Ham of the past, the present team are not quite as protective about their " lmage" away from bome. They withdrew at first, allowing Rangers to use Thomas and Francis to run at them, but they kept control of their own penalty area and after half an bour Jennings. brushed a header past Parkes after Webb bad failed to clear Paddon's throw-in. Rangers continued to overlooked, Gould is seen as the break away without finishing their man who came back from the work, and it was in the middle

part of the game that Gould and Paddon continually regained possession for West Ham, with Gould often playing the hall back into the path of Brooking, who made a host of superb runs. Bonds backed him so aggressively that he had his name taken and Robson made himself uopopular by per-sistently standing within 10 yards et free kicks—he did win the hall quite often and having his name taken, as well, did not put him

off,
Appropriately, Gould, Paddon, arooking and Jennings were all involved in West Ham's second goal in the second half—it brought a fight-back by Rangers to a jolting halt and made them look far worse than they were. Jennings pushed a clearance to Gonld and he turned the hall to Brooking. A pass that might bave been ignored in the days of Peters and Hurst was turned into an opportunity by Paddon who scored from about 20 yards. Rangers tried desperately hard to revive their memories of a season ago, but notbing would come to mind and notbing would come to mind and what they did make they wasted. A pedantic referee did nor belp

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# A gifted team who travel none too well

By a Special Correspondent For the third time in six weeks, Manchester City's poor record in away matches has dislodged them from the top of the first division. On Saturday it was Newcastle United's turn to raise doubts about City's ability to stay the championship course. Without playing as well as they can, Newcastle won 2-1 at St James's Park.

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City must be a maddening side to manage. They have richly gifted players like Donachie. Bell, Marsh and Tueart, and solid triers in Doyle. Oakes and Hartford. The team lack little in skill or effort, and yer ribey seem incapable of transporting their Maine Road form to other parts of the country. They have won only one of their 10 away games this season. Newcastle are also an inconsist-

Macari, a surer, more perceptive player oow that he bas entrenched himself in rbe side, buzzed around the middle, McIlroy repeatedly intruded slong the left and Manchester's attacking style was rekindled as Sunderland's lost some of its roundness. Nine hectic minutes of the second half were sufficient to deposit the match into the melting pot as Pearson, with one of his rare chances to run at the defence with the ball, finally steered it across goal for Morgao tn slide it in.

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The winner came just before the hour. Ron Davies, the Welsh internacional, just on as substitute and with his first touch of the ball in Manchester'a colours, sensibly channelled it hackwards towards midfield when Sanderland perhaps expected a more orthodox course. Forsyth and Daly helped it on its way and McIlroy made the vital application.

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ent side, not only from week to week, but during a game as well. For long stretches of the match they seemed lucapable of stringing together more than two passes. One lost count of the times the ball landed at an opponent's feet even when the passer was not under pressure.

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even eternal vigilance does not seem to pay off against Macdonpld, who has a ferocious apperite for goals. He played a major part in Newcastle's first goal after 20 minutes, cbesting down Kennedy's forward lob to Howard, who scored on the volley.

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But they can just as suddenly start to play with great gusto and imagination. It bappened against City. With 1S minutes remaining, the score at 1—1, and City seemingly in control, Kennedy, baving a patchy game for him, broke away on the right. His centre to beyond the far nost was headed back late. the far post was headed back into the middle by Barrowclough, and Macdonald, in a flash, headed it home under the crossbar.

City, and Doyle in particular, for he had coped with Macdonald as well as anyone bas this season. But

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City were sonn on level terms. Hartford forced his way through the delence before finning Tueart un his right. Tueart skipped past Clark before crossing to the far post, where Marsh headed an easy goal. But Newcastle's defence, in which Howard was outstanding gave nothing away for the rest of the game. the game.

MANCHESTER CITY: A. Mariano G. Hammond (30b. C. Barrell). W. Oonachie, P. Henson, M. Doyle, A. Oakes, B. Daniels, C. Bell, R. Marsh, A. Harilord, B. Tuesty. Felerec; E. H. Wallace (Crewe),

# One reason why Arsenal will not go down By Clive White If Middlesbrough are the most adventurous team away from bome in English football, then the game in this country is going nowhere; not if Saturday's performance at Highbury is a fair example. Football cannot expect 25,000 people to remain faithful to this sort of negadve play. Middlesbrough's manager, Jack Charlton, called it criminal and so it was. It was difficult to understand the method in Middlesbrough's madness. They were losing for the last 47 minutes of the match and yet they played ss though they were holding on to a point. They were holding on to a point. They were holding on to a point. They were the losing for the last 47 minutes of the match and yet they played ss though they were holding on to a point. They have a dour team, which is not surprising with names like forgon, Spraggnn and Craggs. Someone once said to speak their names is like munching iron filings. As Arsenal were the only side

yet they played so though they were holding on to a point. They just did not know the score. Suddenly they shook themselves up when Arsenal added another goal in the eighty-second minute for the 2—0 win, but by then Middlesbrough had too much to do not late. do too late.

Before Saturday, Middlesbrough
bad won balf of their away

As Arsenal were the only side who hothered to gn after both points, it was deserving that they should get them. They, too, were without players. However, in Powling, who played alongside Simpson, they have a young man of considerable promise. The effortless way be went about bis job

what subdued Ball.

The persistency of Radford in attack is one of the reasons wby Arsenal will not go down. Just hefore half-free he won a ball be had no right to and began the pressure which led to Brady scoring the first goal.

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ARSENAL: J. Rimmer: P. Bice, R. McNab. E. Kelly, P. Simpson, R. Powling, C. George, A. Ball, J. Radiori, R. Kidd, L. Brady

MIDHLESSROUCH: J. Plail; J. Craggs, F. Spraggon, G. Soumess, S. Boam, W. Maddren, H. Charlion, M. Smith Isub, B. Taylori, J. Hickton, A. Foggo, D. Armstrong,

Referee I. J. Biddle (Brisiol).

Fourth division

Weekend results and tables

Within 60 seconds Sunderland had responded as Hugbes bundled in Kerr's cross from the right; another minute and Sunderland, incredibly, were in front with a magnificent more up the left flank. Porterfield set it flowing, Hughes and Robson carried it forward with a measured exchange of passes which cut a swath through Manchester'a ranks and left Hughes clear for the final stroke. Assurance swelled from such slide-rule precision. The Wear-

European results

ESSEX: M. Keve [Westelliff]; C. Menries [Cambridge University. caplaint, R. Fell [Beckenham!, J. Escoll [Cholmelord: R. Hillon [Westelliff]. Nurinda Singh [Chelmsford: sub. G. Ilye. Golehcater.] R. Glarke [Tuise Hill. A. Knoll [Colchester.] I. Towier [Westelliff]. M. Bond (Westelliff: K. Clarke [10th Southendans: P. Herri, G. Starke [10th Southendans: P. Herri, G. P. Horner, G. Herri, G. Holmes (Eastern Countes).

The South party of 13 for the divisional tournament at Derby on December 14 and 15 is:

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Coventry and North Warwick 2. Cannock
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Scottish second division

### man out with broken nose

J the ball through a ircle past the unsighted in in the fourth minute. that moment the Hertdefence had several solutions of a short corner, and there was a threat of a goal from the scramble that followed, from the line. The end came with defence had several Essex still attacking.

the who was to bave met her at the Albert Hall. on Tuesday night, has n with a broken nose. He placed by Alberto Loveli, nrina, who has never in the world ratings, but utation as a hig puncher. his bouts have finished e distance, one way or

n, who had been training on since last Tuesday, he received the injury arriag with the former ampion, Joe Frazier, in

Philadelphia before coming to London. He decided to have an London. He decided to have an X-ray examination on Saturday and went to Loudon's Middlesex Hospital where the fracture was discovered. He leaves for home

Lovell, 61 3in and more than lost, has been campaigning in Europe. He knocked out the former European champion, Jose Urtain, in Madrid a month ago and the Spaniard was down for eight minutes. He also has two decisions over Eduardo Corleth, another Argemine, well known in this country.

Athletics

### Hill has easy win in marathon

Baltimore, Dec 1.-Ron Hill, of Great Britain, easily beat 8 field of 635 runners yesterdsy to win the second annual Marylaod marathon. The race was run in freezing conditions which forced freezing conditions which forced competitors to cover their skins with anti-cold creams.

Hill, the record holder in the Boston marathon, covered the 27-mile course in 2hr 17min 23sec, over five minutes faster than the runner-up. Ron Kurri, of the United States.—Agencies.

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Rugby Union

# All Blacks can look back with pride Smyth's best ever hurdler will

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent.

At the end of a throbbing and thunderous match at Twickenham on Saturday, when the resurgent Barbarians pulled back with a redblooded try by Mervyn Davies to make it 12—13, Irvine was faced with an awkward conversion attempt that, if successful, would bave perpetrated one of the grosser injustices in modern rugby history. He failed, and the match, if not the honours, finished even. How deflated the All Blacks must have felt, after everything their power, their skills and their enterprise had earned them, to be denied the ultimate jewel of victory here and, with it, a quite unsullied record. They may still look back with pride on a major sporting achievement as this tour came to its daunting climax.

The great Kirkpatrick can rarely have played a finer game. His captain, Leslie, shrewdest of defensive beavers, was little behind him in creative virtues, and the front five roared swiftly into action behind an outstanding loose trio. Going, as ever, orchestrated a powerful plece and both wings breathed fire and danger at every point. I award the palm on this occasion to Ratty for on this occasion to Batty, for whom the ball had not run well hitherto. Early in the game Batty hurled himself into the front row of the stalls to pop hack again like a jack in the box. He covered superbly throughout, was involved in several exciningly unrothodox moves, and contributed. orthodox moves, and contributed. in two vital ways, to one of the

The eight Lions forwards with dominated the South African pack were not now good—or charply tuned—coough to dictale the uned—cooligh to dictale the game. With tactics, ss it seemed inflexibly set on the premise that the New Zealanders also could be subdued by nine-man rugby, the Barbarians left it too late to be faithful to their own ideals.

The Lions did not triumph in New Zealand by the manufacture of the lions did not triumph in New Zealand by the manufacture. New Zealand by superiority up front, but by having the skills and the nerve to run at their opponents with possession not alwaye glit-edged—and sometimes to counter-attack with support more swiftly mustered from the wings and the full back than it was now. As it was, I doubt if Gerald Davies and Duckham got more than four passes between them, and Duckham bardly needed to get his gear laundered.

The All Blacks will regret they were unable fully to capitalize on their considerable early pressure, when the two packs first locked themselves in a crunch of beef-



Mervyn Davies goes over far his closing try which ensured that the Barbarians drew.

steak and the Barbarians were urterly outplayed in the lineout. The All Blacks frequently wheeled the scrummages on their opponents' put in, to the inevitable discomfiture of Edwards, and the Barbarians, their backs to the wall, had little worthwhile ball to exploit.

exploit.

Yet it was they who took an early lead when Bevan was late-tackled by Robertson after putting through a grubber, and Irvine kicked an astonishing goal, into the wiod his side had elected to face, and high between the posts, from all of 50 yards. It was not until the second quarter that Karam, who already had missed one kickable penalty, was successful with another attempt from 30 yards.

yards. yards.

In due course, Gereld Davies was also engulfed, notably by Tanner and Whiting, as he in turn tried to run in his 25 after gathering a kick by Karam. Going silbut snaked through from the ruck and, from the next one, Lestie feinted to pass outside and then plunged over the line. The Barbarians, flattered to turn round

only 3—7 down, pulled to within a point directly from the kick-off when Karam, whose return kick failed to find tonch, was penalized for a late tackle on McLauchlan. Irvine pumped over his second goal, from 35 yards out.

McLauchlan, then, was on the

McLauchkan then was on the receiving end of a left hook from Kirkpatrick that led to three more points being needlessly yielded, levine landing his third goal, from 45 yards.
That made it 9—7 to the

That made it 9—7 to the Barbarians, but Irvine, catching a mortar bomb from Going, was nailed from hehind by Batty. Kirkpatrick spearbeaded the honods of hell and Batty, on the open side of the ruck, put in a diagonal kick to the right wing that Barry John would have been proud of; Williams collected it on the bounce to score unopposed, and Karam'e conversion went over off the far post.

With time ebbing away but

if the far post. With time ebbing away, but true at last to tradition, the Barbarians spurged a kickable penalty, Edwards driving up the left and Preece failing to find Duckham with a crucial pass.

Finally, from a Barbarians line-ont, Irvine came up outside his centres to put Karam under the hottest pressure with a high kick. Preece and Gerald Davies preceded the forwards to a profit-able ruck and Mervyn Davies, using all his strength and skill, picked up to score. This was appropriate because, for the second ome in four days, he had been the outstanding home forward.

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BARBARIANS; A. R. Irvine (Heriol's and Scotland); T. G. R. Davies (Cardiff and Wales! P. J. Wartleid (Cambiff and Wales! P. J. Wartleid (Cambiff and Wales! P. B. Presce (Coventry and England); P. B. Presce (Coventry and England); J. D. Bevan (Acres on); O. O. Schwards (Cardiff and Wales! J. McLanchlan (Jordanhill and Scotland), R. W. Whosor (Pontypool and Wales!, F. E. Cotton (Coventry and England), W. J. McErdel (Hallymona and Ireland, Captain), C. L. Brown (West of Scotland and Scotland), R. W. Utiloy (Gosforth and England); T. M. Davies (Swansaa end Wales), J. F. Blattery (Blackrock College and Ireland)

# concentrate on Cheltenham

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

In moments of gloom and depression it is rather nice to be able to contemplate something good and refreshing. Next Satur-day Cheltenham should certainly provide the excuse for those who feel like escaping from their wor-ries and trouble if only for the

ries and trouble if only for the odd bour or two.

Just as those who flocked to Twickenham or Old Trafford last Sanurday had aomething to get excited about, so should racing folk at Cheltenham, where the Massey Ferguson Gold Cup and the Cheltenham Trial Hurdle both promise to be marvellous spectacles, more than enough to warm the blood on a cold December's day. Captain Christy, Crisp, Ten Up, and Bruslee are all due to meet in the Massey Ferguson and they may be joined by The Dikler.

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This race is a truly exciding prospect. It will be Crisp's first race since he broke down when beating Red Rum at Doncaster just over a year ago; the first appearance of either Captain Christy or Ten Up in this country since they won the Gold Cup and the Sun Alliance Steeplechase, respectively, at Cheltenham In March, and Bruslee's sixth race there in the past 14 toontis.

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Bruslee has not been beaten at Chelrenham, and if judged on the way that he won the Mackeson Gold Cup there last month, he is unlikely to be hrusbed aside easily, even in such a fierce contest as this. Hills betting on the race is: 6-4 Bruslee, 5-2 Captain Christy, 7-1 April Seventh, 8-t The Dikler, 10-1 others. Crisp is quoted at 16-1.

The Cheltenham Trial Hurdle is also something to savour. In what 1s fast becoming a war of nerves, neither Fred Winter nor Fred Rimell are backing down from their decisions to let Lanzarote and Comedy of Errors take each other on again. And Peter O'Sullevan on again. And Peter O'Sullevan has added more fuel to the fire by deciding to let Attivo run against the champion and the former cham-pion on the very battle ground where they have excelled in the past, and where be himself scored his most resounding victory last

That was the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle, which Attivo won

- by beating Banlieu and Supreme Halo, and a timely boost to Attivo's ego came at Sandown Park on Saturday when Supreme Halo, who finished seven lengths behind him in the Triumph Hurdle, romped away with the Benson and Hedges Handicap Hurdle. Admittedly. Supreme Halo was carrying only -10 st 10 lb, but few know more about this game than his vastly experienced trainer. Ron Smyth, who did after all win the Champion Hurdle three times when be was a

jockey. After Saturday's race, Smyth After Saturday's race, Smyth was adainant that unt many fouryear-olds could have done what 
Supreme Halo did. He saw this 
performance as an endorsement of 
his iong held belief that Supreme 
Halo is the best burdler that be 
has ever trained. But Smyth sees 
no point in asking Supreme Halo 
to travel to Ireland just after 
Christmas to try to win the Irish 
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Instead they will both concentrate on an English programme designed to ensure that they are at their best at Cheltenham in March, "when it matters most", Smyth added. There was certainly no stopping Supreme Halo on Saturday once Jeffray King decided that the moment was ripe to unleash him on the stands side of the course.

In finishing third eight lengths hehind Supreme Halo, the topweight, Moyne Royal, who, carrying 12 st, was giving the winner ts lb, can be said to have claimed his fair share of the honours if

his fair share of the honours if not the spoils. Not unlike Tingle Creek, who only a half an hour later made a truly gallant attempt to hump 12 st 6 lh to victory in the Benson and Hedges Handicap the senson and heages handlap
Steeplechase. In the end, only
Dorlesa was too good for Tingle
Creek, hut his performance in
defeat falls into place when one
realizes that he was giving the
winner 30 lb.
Michael Dickinson stands off

2in, and it was only after he had epent hours in a sauna bath that he was able to weigh out at 10 st 4 lh Doriesa's allotted weight. A relatively comfortable wining ride on Dorlesa ID a race that was worth just over £4,000 to the winner wae his reward, and a just

one. Sadly, the race was deprived of

sayer completely misjudged the second open ditch, and paid for his carelessness. If there was a thread of comfort to console his rider, John Francome, it was the thought that the arm that be broke falling from Soothsayer was at leest not the arm that he broke

twice last season.
Richard Pitman took Francome's place on Frigid Fred in the Benson and Hedges Three-Year-Old Hurdle, and this newcomer Old Hurdle, and this newcomer to jumping ran well enough to indicate that his counexions will not be troubled placing him to win a similar race in the near future. Frigid Fred finished fourth. Hie race was won by Jer, who obviously finds this game much more to his liking than flat racing.

racing.

By the late and great racehorse Sea Bird II, Jer failed to fulfil his owner Charles St George's expectations, when he was trained for flat racing by Noel Murless. But lack seldom deserts Mr St George, and now thanks to Ryan Price, and Paul Kelleway, Jer has been moulded into a more than useful hurdler, one of the hest recruits that we have seen this autumn.

Our Edition is another beginner, whose name must be horne in mind hut in a different sphere. After watching him win the Benson and Hedges Novices' Steeplechase, his first race over fences, it was easy to understand why both Stan Mellor and Jeremy Glover have, for a long ome, maintained that this seven-year-old is a natural.

Having just watched Glover school Our Edition over the fences on the practice ground nhove Upper Lambourn, Mellor once told me that Our Edition had not only jumped well—like an old hand, so be said—but that he seemed to love every mioute of it. That was evident on Saturday, when Our Edition taught his more experienced rivals a thing or two. Obviously it is early days yet, but I shall not only be surprised but disappointed if his name does not feature on my short list when it It is time to think of the Sun Alliance Steeplechase at ne year's National Hunt Festival.

## Clerks oug to inspect courses wi trainers

By Jim Snuw

No one in his right senses relish tha job of being a of the course in the winter r and yesterday Kit Parterso and yesterday att Paterso under heavy fire from thre lng trainers over his decical off the Sedgefield mee Saturday. The trainers Arthur Stephenson, Denys and Ken Oliver, three my year high un to the list of year high up to the list of

None of the three minces when they heard that Sebad been abandoned on S morning because the com-waterlogged. They were in suggesting that Mr P had made a wrong deci calling off Sedgefield. Oliver, who has twice as: teur ridden the winner Scottish Grand National. the days when he had ride fences after he had bell groundsmen to clear th away from the fences on t off and landing sides. Kit Patterson counter-a In las official statement the round was so wateric Sedgefield that it wo dangerous for jockers am to race over it. When comes, or frost and snow November and March, if solution to decide whether self in an unfit to race. is fit or unfit to race in the hands of the stewa the clerk of the crurse. be a good and wise deci well as a precaution, to I..., or two leading trainers company as they walked reflects that of the clerk of the representing the stewards meeting, there will be co and criocisms from train Today's meeting at is fit or unfit to race Today's meeting at where Mr Patterson is al of the course became a national hunt meeting los weather this season whet discovered that parts of the umberland course were logged vesterday afteronon other meeting at Southie

# S Africans back on rugby map

From a South African Rugby Correspondent Paris, Dec 1

South Africa 10 France 8 Iso Kirkpatrick, the substitute coach who came to France when pneumonia struck down Johan Classen, took the Springboks by the scruffs of their necks and the scruffs of their necks and turned losers into winners, described the dramatic second international here at the Parc des Princes on Saturday as "a game I oever want to live through again". Hannes Marais, who links 35th International led South Africa for the last time, called it "possibly the lardest Test it "possibly the hardest Test I bave ever played in my life". South Africa had to hurl back a furious early assault by the Frenchmen, edge slowly away

the lead and then hold on to it desperately in the closing stages before they finally won 10—8 to clinch the two-match series 2—0.

The victory made the Springboks the victory made the Springboks
the first team ever to bear France
at the Parc des Princes where the
acoustics and the traditionally
partisan and volatic French crowd
can be a shatteriog combination
for the morale of any visiting

Coventry and Orrell to be guest teams

By Peter West
Coventry and Orrell have been invited ss the two guest teams in the Middlessex seven-a-side finals at Twickenham at the end of the season. Coventry have Duckham, Rossborough, Preece, Evans and Cowman to choose from among their backs, and Cotton at forward, so it is not difficult to say which side the others have to beat. Coventry retained their title when winning the Rugby Football Union club knockout competition last April. They have been celebrating their centenary this year, hat were in fact officially founded in 1875.

The invitacion to Orrell is a By Peter West

The invitation to Orrell is a further feather in the cap of this Lancashire club who have made such an impact in the past two seasons with their performances in the knockour competition. They seasons with men period. They
the knockout compension. They reached the quarter-final round in 1973 and the semi-final round earlier this year when they defeated Hariequins and Northampton before going down to London Scottish. London Scottish.

Orrell won the Rugby School and Glengarth Sevens at the start of this seasoo. They reached the last four in the Selkirk Sevens and were unluckily beaten in the first round of the Harleguins invitation went by the eventual minuter.

The British Lions' full back, John Williams, has made his mark on rugby again immediately on his return from South Africa. After helping the Welsh XV in the fine game against the All-Blacks at Cardiff on Wednesday, he inspired London Welsh to something like their reat form as they beat Harlequins 18—7 at the Stoop Memorial ground on Seturday morning.

By Gordon Allan
A number of the Cambridge
team who are certain to be chosen
for the university match did not
play at Northampton on Saturday.

A 13-13 draw was therefore a highly creditable result for Cam-

bridge, who were 13pts down at half-time. Both sides scored a goal, a penalty goal and a try.

O'Callaghan, Warfield, Wordsworth, Lintott, Thomas and Pratt were absent. Warfield was at

worth, Lintott, Luomas and Fratt were absent. Warfield was at Twickenham; the rest were either ill or injured. But only in O'Callaghan's case, which involved a hamstring, is there any doubt about his readiness for December 10

Northampton scored twice in the

first quarter of an hour of an en-joyable game while Cambridge, old and new, so to speak, struggled to find each other. Harding's passes

flew around Breakley's shoulders.

slipped, and the forwards looked

event by the eventual winners, Bridgend.

maintain its record of never having lost an international in France. And it also helped put the Springhoks, still smarting from their defeats by the British Lions, back on the map as a rugby nation to be reckoned with. But as Kirk-partick and Mariis so aprily said. on the map as a rugby nation to be reckoned with. But as Kirk-patrick and Marais so apply said, titls bruising hattle which cost France their full back, Droltecourt, and their prop, A. Vaquerin, and South Africa their booker. Cockrell, was a desperately close thing which ultimately only swing. South Africa's way by a fraction of an incb.

That was the fraction by which Henri Cabrol's boot was off line in a conversion attempt in the dyiog minutes of the game. Dourthe had just scored a second try for France. Cabrol was in a nocition to draw the street. position to draw the game. But His kick looked true enough to start with, but theu, at the last moment, it veered away to the right-an ironical reflection of French fortunes in this game.
Like that kick, the French too
seemed to be heading for victory
in the heginning. And never more
so than when little Jacques
Fouroux, the French scrum-half

and captain, scurried away to send

Toulouse had become the Lions of Paris, nobody more so than Gour-don, Estève, Vaquerin, Paco and the flanks, Boffelli and Saisset.

In the 60th minute Bosch fed his backs, Snyman made the overlap and Stapelberg, a new cap since the series against the Lions, crashed over for a good try. Bosch's trusty boot seemed to seal the game in the 75th minute, but the French were far from finished. They stormed back and Dourthe scrambled over after first pushing through a grubber kick for the try that might have salvaged the the flanks, Boffelli and Saisset. try that might have salvaged the ne for France had Cabrol been

game for France had Cabrol been on target.
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Referen: R. F. Johnson (England).

# Oxford introduce a secret weapon from Kentucky

By Michael Hardy By Michael Hardy
Oxford must not be written off.
That was the message from liftley
Road on Saturday, when the University pulled off a victory against
a strong Gloucester side by a goal,
three tries and s penalty goal (21
points) to a goad, a try and a
penalty goal (13). After a series
of defeats and much indifferent
play, it must be immensely
encouraging for them to get such
a result in the last match hefore
Twickenham.
For the first 20 minutes, Oxford
played with gusto. They piled into

For the first 20 minutes, Oxford played with gusto. They piled into anything moving that hore the red and white hoops of proud Gloucester; they ran well; they handled well; they passed well. And as Machiavelli once pointed out, fortune, like women, goes to the brave.

At the end of the first quarter, Oxford were 14 points ahead, and the spectators were convinced they the speciators were convinced they had witnessed the unveiling of Oxford's secret weapon. This was Ray Burse, from Kentucky, who has played only s few games of rugby since he came to Britain. However, with the background of sprinter and basketball player, be already possesses admirable qualices for a winger.

Whether Kent and his co-selectors will risk playing him in the

Whether Kent and his co-selectors will risk playing him in the university match is another matter. He lacks posicional sense, but against this he could he a match winner, and there are not many of them around.

Waterman, a steadily improving full back, scored the first try. But it was Burse, a deceptively fast runner, who made possible the second, scored by Macdonald, and who himself got the third.

who himself got the third.

It was too much to expect such

beaten at the lineouts, bot broke even at the tight scrummages and, inspired by Warlow, blazed away

inspired by Warlow, blazed away in the loose. That is where they rely on getting the kind of possession they like, and that is where they got it. Of the new men, Breakley played a mimble and varied game after a discouraging start and Stewart, a burly Canadian freshman, could be a No S with a future.

with a future.

Northampton, a team in transition, who were beaten by Oxford in October, were vigorous and direct. Their young pack responded well to Powell's leadership, and Page kicked with care, length and precision. Bignell scored their tries, the first after Allen had left Hodgson sprawling, the second after a hack and chase. George kicked a conversion and a penalty.

Warlow and Wood scored Cambridge's tries, both from long

however, these wrongs were put right range, and Hignell kicked a conversion and a penalty. Breakley opened up from his own line, wood kicked on and caught Pareven at the tight scrummages and, inspired by Warlow, blazed away in the local That is where there the

A Canadian at Cambridge with a future

sparkling rugby to last. It did not. Gloucester, their pride bruised, snarled like a big dog that has seen too much of the puppies. Fidier was penalized for over-enthusiasm in a mau!. Bayliss was warned by the vafarase. Finally, the

was penalized for over-enthusiasm in a maul. Bayliss was warned by the referee. Finally, the international, Watkins, was sent off after an incident which resulted in Waterman having to be helped off the field for a while.

It must be a long time since B Gloucester side played eo badly. The game became scrappy and miggling, though towards the end Gloucester had done something to convince us that they could soil run the ball. J. Dix gained a good by to add to his first-half score, and Butler converted

Oxford, whose forwards seem greatly to have improved their mailing and "corner-flagging", added a try and a penalty goal, both by Quimnen. He missed three conversions and three penalties, however, and a question mark misst remain over the place-kicking.

Oxford University' J. S. Watermal Isleworth GS and Si Catherine'a: "P. R. Asquill Clifton and Bailoi! "C. P. Keni (Bloodell's and Wincester). "T. R. Glover (Lancaier RGS and Lincoln R. Burse (Center College, Kontucly, and B. John's): N. J. Outlonen 'St Bonodit's and Windelman's D. W. Mackenzie (Wygoesion GS and St Catherichurch. Nr. and Carlesi Church). P. S. Rees 'Cardiff HS and Magdeleni P. C. Woodhead (Bradford CS and Lincoln). R. A. Devis 'University of Sydney and Penbroko: "P. Bl. L. Kyrke-Indih (Ellemmer and Worcester). Thy or 'Lancairer RGS Edmund Hall'. J. Macdonaid. (University of Stellenbosch and University) of Stellenbosch and University of Stellenbosch and University. Section R. R. Brim. J. Fidler. J. Watkins, E. Pinkney, J. Halmes. Roferee: R. G. H. Williams I Blafford-skiller). "A Blue.

whold sinceed on and caught raiver when in possession, and Warlow dived over. Wood dribbled through for his twentieth try of the term after a dummy run by Breakley on the Cambridge 25 and a grub kick hy Hodgsoft.

Northampton: I. K., George: K., Parkor, C. Moruan, K., L. Allen, P. Blanell: I. O., Virighi, J. J., Paeg: S. Utalson, R. J., Vinceni, O. L. Powell, V. Camon, I. A. Luner, G. Poole, C. R., Landen, G., G., Phillips.

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#### Match decided by a try in injury time By Alan Gibson

Bristol 7 Plymouth Albion 6 The last time I saw Plymouth Albion play at Bristol, they were give a hiding by something like 70 points—a map short for most of the match. I was a Plymouth supporter long before I became a Postel expression and boned in Bristol supporter, and boped to see Albion do better yesterday, when the sides met in the first round proper of the national knockout competition.

knockout competition.

So they did. Albion would, in fact, have woo the match had it not been for the extraordinary amount of injury time allowed by the referee. At the last Moriey scored the try which gave Bristol victory. It was the only try of the match, and this is a sound reason nd this is a sound reaso

victory. It was the only try of the match, and this is a sound reason why Bristol deserved to win, as they did, by B try and a penalty goal to a dropped goal and a penalty goal.

Plymouth, with slightly the better of a cross-wind, led at balf-time by B penalty goal, kicked by Fabkan. Pearn brought Bristol level with a penalty. Plymouth had been hard-pressed, but raised their game to put in another attack, as a result of which Fabian dropped a goal.

The Plymouth forwards, though they were better at spoiling than winning possession, continued to keep Bristol in check. The best Bristol forwards were the old warriors Watt and Rollitt, who kept their heads and legs when many about them were arguing with each other. There was Pullin, too, who several times won the ball in critical circumstances, even against the head with his pack going backwards.

It was interesting to compare Vosper and Pearn at scrum balf. Pearn bas more talent and imsgination, but Vosper is tougher, and again and again he came out with the ball from a loose scrummage, and tucked it away down the touchline. Elllot, the Plymouth full back and captain, also tackled and cleared in many difficult situations.

routh the back and captain, also tackled and cleared in many difficult situations.

But weariness tells. The Bristol try did not come from any olanned movement. Somehow, from a maul on the Plymouth 25, the ball reached Morley, and the cover at last was not there, at least sufficient cover for a runner like Morley, for whom you need two men. Over he went, a fine try.

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Weekend results TOUR MATCH: Barborians 13. New Scalanders 13.

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Yesterday
NATIONAL ENOCHOUT COMPETITION: Bristol 7. Phymouth 6,
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Pontypool 12. CLUB MATCH: Newbridge 13, Pontypool 13.
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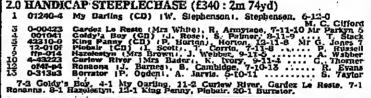
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1.30 SELLING HURDLE (£291 : 2m)



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3.0 HANDICAP HURDLE (£340 : 2m 4f)

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Squash rackets

### Nastase's showmanship in unfamiliar environment

By Rex Bellamy Squash Rackets Correspondent

Ille Nastase, former French, Italian and United States tenme champion, played an bour-long squash rackets match at the Lamb-ton Squash Club, North Kensington, on Saturday. His opponent was John Beddington, author of Play Better Squash, who is a useful club player with a depth of experience that inevitably gave him an advantage over Nastase, who bad played only once. Nastase was in London for the death of the land of the in London for two days before fly-ing to Melbourne for the Masters tenms tournament.

The Romanian's showmanship The Romanian's showmanship delighted the crowded gallery. He found squash harder work than tennis but enjoyed hie tiring invasion of nn infamiliar environment. His tribulations were punctuated by such asides as: "The ball is too small... the racket is too small... the conrt is too small... It can't run anywhere I "Nastase reckons equash is good for the reflexes. But his own, of course, are astomishing enough to need no belp from squash.

belp from squasb. The same afternoon a wider public had their first view of squash when BBC Television showed recorded extracts from the Duniop Trophy match between pro-fessionals and amateurs at Wembley. The camera only partly solved its greatest problem, pick-ing up the flight of the ball, though those familiar with the game could, with difficulty, follow the pattern

of the rallies. The game's con-siderable physical demands were seldom evident and although this seidom evident and although this was something of a tutorial, there was little attempt to educate viewers in basic etrategy.

Even more odd was the fact that, though there were four days for editing, the most spectacular squash of the evening was not shown and little use was made of shown and little use was made of potentially dramatic closs-ups potentially dramade close-ups from the camera behind the front wall. Perhaps the technicians were dissatisfied with their endeavours

wall. Fernaps the technicals were dissatisfied with their endeavours in these areas: or the BBC cantiously refused to attempt ton much too soon. They are to he congratulated on achieving as much as they did. But although this was an impressive trial run, it was not the best of advertisements for the game.

The losers of those televised matches, Philip Ayton and Michael Corby, will contest this evening's final of the Abheydale (Sheffield) amateur invitation tournament, sponsored by Thorntons, the chocolate and toffee manufacturers. Yesterdey, Ayton, who won the last 18 points, beat John Richardson 9-4, 3-9, 9-4, 9-0 and Corby, who earned no more than a penalty point in his first if minutes on court, came back from 1-8 down in the first game to beat Peter Verow, 10-8, 9-6, 9-0. There was much gifted and

Creek (13-21; 3. Amarind (13-1). to

ran. 3.0: 1. Jer (100-30 fav): 2, Old Chad (13-11: 3, Artec Star (11-2), 20

7.5.50: 1. Arctic Acter (11-4 lav): 2. for Priority: 11-21: 5. Hurry hop (5-1). 12 ran. Husky aid-noi run. Sodgelled -moeting abandoned.

Motor racing .....

MACAO: Macao Grand Pre 140 lps: 1. V. Schuppan Australia: March 722, 1tr 6 funt 40.21sec: 2. O. Purloy England: Chorron Ford (36 lps: 3. H. Adamezsk (Honslong).

9-0. There was much gifted and lively squash, but the matches were patchy. In both, the players seldom produced their best form simultaneously. Verow was the most inconsistent of the lot.

Rackets

### Harrow relax and almos throw victory away

By Our Rackets Correspondent
Harrow's third pair, Dick
Bridgeman and Christopher
Ohleon, won an exciting contest
against the top Charterhouse pair,

Marlbornugh's win owners when Timoth Andrew Barker and Michael Hooper, the Surrey cricketer, in the Noel Bruce Cup for rackets at Queen's Club yesterday. Their win by 9-15, 15-10, 15-9, t5-5, 6-15, 4-1 took a similar course. Bi at Queen's Club yesterday. Their win by 9-15, 15-10, 15-9, 18-17 put them into the first round proper in which they meet the second Harrow pair, Charles

the second Harrow pair, Charles and Timothy Hue Williams.

When leading 9—1 in the fourth game, Harrow were heading for a comfortable win. Their steadiness had tamed the Cartbusians. Ohlson was outplaying Barker in the backhand court and Bridgeman, a knowledgeable doubtes player in his claser had nagged Hooper Into overhidong.

The sight of victory many the

The sight of victory made the Harrovians casual and when Charterhouse began to recover, the growing slipperiness of the court, due to condensation, made play hazardous enough to become a leveller. The left-handed Barker had a useful spell of serving to put Charterhouse ahead 13—11. Here Hooper muffed a shot off the wall.
When Harrow made it 13—13

play became tense and a trific scrappy. Charterhouse reached 16—13 and had five more hands 16—13 and had five more manus without doing more than saving a match point and losing a game

mer serving in the first rall but knocked out the Then Bird began to over as someone suggested, hit the ball hard he sho played it soft, and vice-ve The Etonians came ri into the match and the Mc went to pieces, until Hall aged to take control in game. Mariborough now second seeds. Eton I. Milne and William Coone. Milne and William Boone.

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### For the record

Racing results Chepstow

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2. Alpensiock (0:1): 5. Captain Clover
(5:51). 10 ran. Waisii, Yanwarth
did noi run. 1.45: 1. Front Soat (14-1); 2. Jotty Saller (10-1): 3. Danco Again (7-1). o ran.
2.15: 1. Young Arthur (11.5 fov)
2. Tom Dooley (16-1); 5. Reco. Riof
2. 2. 10: 2. Sention Boy (2.1); 2. Sixer
7-11: 5. Junior Portner (6-1); 5.
ran. Fort Lodge did not run.
5. 15: 1. Hawn Breaker (6-3. far);
2. My Cablaio (9-4): 5. Farthingdrig (16-1), 17 ran. Wild Anio did oot run.

Rugby League FIRST OLVISION: Bramley 20, Wake-field Trinity 7 SCOND DIVISION Oldnam 17. Entiry 2.

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eyer said afterwards: 1 ad only a fair game today. You fit is strange teeing up after rday's 59—a sort of let yer is only the second r in history (Sam Snead was first) to break 60 in a major nament, and he made his in-

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have been training for 20 to achieve this goal ". Player of, and heside him, his wife he was visibly ecstatic. Player of his luck—there was widely ecstatic. Player of he called it. He recalled Gaves has a deserved reputof heing a tough course and ino secret of his feelings; ry single detail is engraved memory and will he until 1 coring a 59 is like duing the

mile under four minutes. I cannot tell you how thrilled I am. I have fulfilled the one big ambition I bad left in golf", be went on. Player hirdled the first, sixth, seventh, ninth, 10th, 12th, 13th, 16th and 18th holes, and eagled the third. At the 16th bis one-iron shut finished in a bunker. He told the caddie to take out the flag and the ball went straight in the hole. The record round Yards

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rn Borg and Guillermo Vilas. Vilas. Newcumbe and Onny Parun form one group, and flie Nastase. Manuel Orantes. Raul Ramirez and Harold Solomon form the other. rwhich will occupy the first days of the 142,000 Grand Masters tournament. Spunby Commercial Union, at the frum December 10 to get Rex Bellamy.

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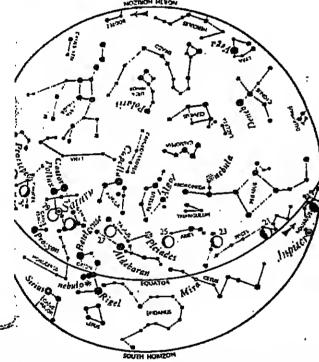
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By contrast, Procyon at a similar distance from the pole has a shurt season. It sets about midnight in late April and at 21h in early June, and that is less than an hour after sunset. It has been lost in about six weeks, though it does get some compensation in the early morning rights of the late some. morning risings of the late sum-mer, when somewhat fewer people

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The space between Jupiter in the south-west and Orion in the south-east is occupied by the very large but inconspicuous constellations of Eridanus and Cetus. The former is "The River"; what river is uncertain, but it is a very old constellation and could be idenofied with the Nile or the Euphrates. It is a chain of stars of 3rd magnitude and fainter, winding away below the southern horizon to terminate with the bright star. Achierner. "The End of the River", in declination 60° south.

ones are also on the oppose of the Sun. Neptune in conjunction with it on and Uranus rising about an store it in mid-month. Goone last quarter, 6d10h: 13d16h (eclipse); first, 21d20b; full, 19d04h.

'approximate times of minima are 19d23h and also as darkness falls on h.

Ostice occurs on December The Sun is then at its south, and daylight in the in bemisphere is at its to the west and the head to the east, and half-way along the neck is Mira, "The Wonderful". This is a long-period variable star, the variability of which has been known at least from 1596, when it was noticed by Fabricius. The period is about that ome below naked eye visibility it has not been noofceable in the evening sky for several years.

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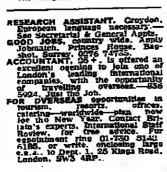
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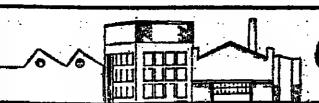
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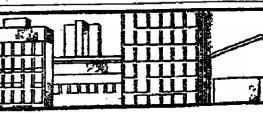
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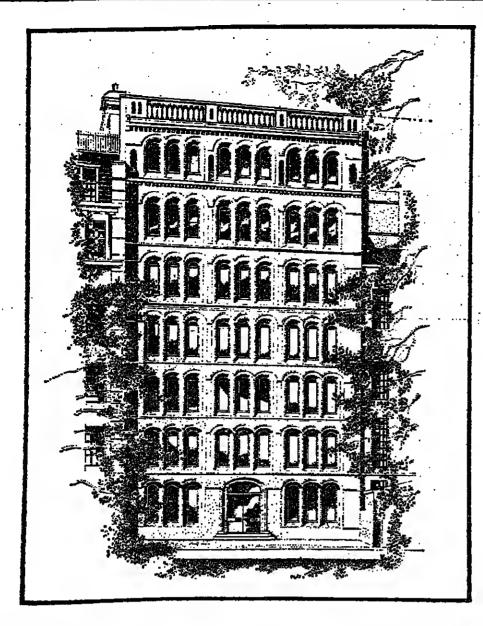
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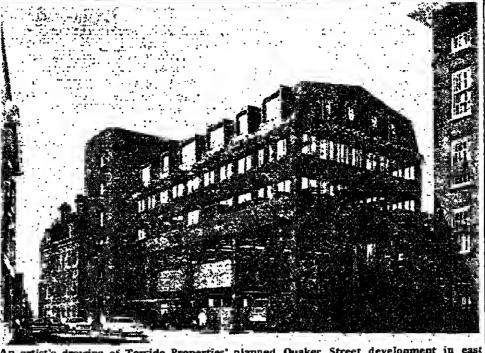
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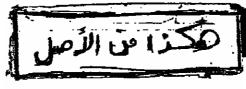
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Harbour, December 7, 1941, was certainly an earthquake; so to most Americans was October 1. 1949, when Mao Tse-tung proudly proclaimed a new China. And it was the Americans, whose engagement with East Asia has been the closest and the most emotional, who felt the tremors of Korea to be aoother earthquake. They are even now still reeling from the shocks of Viemam.

For the British, Asia was naturally coough the Asia of

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that was Belloc's view—though imperial Asia has vanished from the sights of a younger generation resting its revolu-tionary hopes on China as some of their fathers did on Russia. And looking for a def-inition of East Asia from the rest of the cootineor one might indeed start with the limits of empire and noo-empire, hut this might imply that the essectial difference hetween one region and the other was vely been separated for most fact in the lives of its inhabi-

of putting Vietnam on the wrong side of the dividing lice. It would also exclude from the ex-colonial side countries such as Thailand or Nepal which belong culturally south or south-east Asia and which look upon the West as a source of aid or a model for emulation in much the same. ways as the other countries do. seeing themselves as reflecio a western mirror, readily adopting western def-initions such as "Asia", the "Third World", or "develop-ing" countries. Their political ups and downs, their mutual relationships, their continuing hostilities all follow a comparahle pattero.

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quence acquired a sense of its still fragile. own superiority as well as its uniqueness. Not until the nineteenth century was this pos-ture effectively challenged by the West.

The distinction between East Asia and the rest might seem now to be only an bistorical one. Moreover, having taken East Asia out of the meaning-less label "Asia" there are many other sub-divisions that be offered for the rest of the continent. But it is the attitude to the West of these two main divisions, of East Asia and all the rest of Asia. that is the point. East Asia rejected the West; the rest of Asia over a period of time accepted it. The tidal waters of the West crept up over south and south-east Asia over four centuries-Spanish and Porguuese religion, British and Dutch trade, French cultureall left their alluvium. For all these countries their post-war Todependence means going on from where they are, not going back to where they were hefore the West intruded. East Asia said oo, holding the dykes as hest it could or rescioding an corry permit when it became apparent that the walls their own civilization might really he breached. Today the East Asian walls still bold. The civilization is still a conscious

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When the Chinese talk about

imperialist "cultural aggres-

sion" that is not mere communist jargon; it expresses a reality in their minds. The canker got in. There are intruders be evicted. And what is ohviously true of China is no less true of Japan, Korea and Vietnam. Their somewhat uncertain consciousness of shared political inheritance bas not been drained away by their different experiences change. The reaction of all four countries to the western world remains as alive in their minds today as it was in the nineteeoth century. Above all, the questions raised about civilizatioo and its superiority, its preservation or its adulteration, its feelings about the world "outside" and its adjustment as a group of nation states to that ontside world—zil these have yet to be resolved. The tremors that were set going in the nineteenth century are not yet at

If that is not eoongh reason for looking more closely at East Asia, the conjuncture of recent events may underline it. There is China, for example, with its long-lasting first revolutionary founder waiting for his days to end aod seeing bis chief of staff of so many years smiling his greeting to disting-

Mao and Chou is the question of the puzzled outsider. Or Јарал, happy enough to leave the American post-war occup-ation behind after 1952 and to turn from war to a peaceful way of combatting the West: by beating them at their own game of economic growth. But when economic growth itself comes into question? Besides, that doubt, what of China? A newly communist China was a problem that could be solved hiding from it while the Americans were busy containing it. That has oow changed and Japan finds the seventies a different world from that of the fifties and sixties. What does this new world portend and how should Japan face it? Another unauswered question. As for Korea and Vietnam the point hardly oeeds rubbing in. A war fought in Korea and what did it achieve? What is to he the future of a divided or a united Korea? Does the western world any longer think that its decision is the one that will determine the outcome? And Vietnam? Do the same questions not return the same answers? The war goes on and Vietnam will solve its owo problems in the long run. By any standard of change in the world what oext io East Asia seems a relevant

#### Richard Harris

# Counting the cost of the Vladivostok arms pact

Do the uoderstandings reached the status of shorter-range syser Vladivostok constitute Dr rems hased in Europe. Henry Kissinger's much sought " cooceptual breakthrough " in strategic arms limitation? It is far too early to come to any hard and fast conclusions on the subject, for the simple reason that the provisions announced earlier this week are only means to provide

a framework for a possible SALT agreement in 1975. But within the joint statement released at the summir is the outline of a future arms accord that is assonishingly broad in conception, controlling not only numbers of offeosive hut strategic bombers and multiple warbead deploy-ment as well. However, even before the Administration re-leased full details of the Vladivostak understandings, critics hegan to point to possible prob-

cover the so-called " central

In formulating oew ceiliogs for offeosive weapons, the agreement will incorporate "relevant" portions of the existing five-year interim agreement. Thus, it seems unlikely that the new accord will significantly alter missile limits agreed oo io 1972, which provided the Soviers with 2,358 launchers and gave the United States 1,710. If, as tbe aggregate scheme implies, bomber numbers are added 10 these totals, the Soviet total stands at 2,498, the United States at approximately 2,150.

The inclusion of bombers in an overall aggregate ceiling of 2,500 tends to erase the imbalance in missile launcher numbers contained in the interim agreement, a sore spot among critics of the accord. But in so doing, it has dashed the hopes of those who argued for overall reductions in launcher numbers. While it appears to have left

the numbers agreed to in 1972 strategic systems "—land and inact, it is not clear whether sea-hased missiles and loog other understandings worked range bombers—and, according nut in the interim agreement to Dr Kissinger, will not affect will he locluded in the new

cated that the sub-total of 313 for Soviet "heavy" missiles will remain in force, but the question of which of the new class of large missiles under development in the Soviet Union will be included in this category remains unanswered.

United States, in a unilateral statement attached to the 1972 agreement, also said that reployment of mobile missiles was "inconsistent" with the accord. The most controversial aspect of tha Vladivostok package was

the means devised for controlling the deployment of multiple warheads, or MIRV's. The total number of MIRV's is not constrained, only the number of missiles on which they can he placed. Like the ceiling on delivery vehicles, an aggregate approach bas been devised, which will allow either side to place MIRVs aboard any mix of land or sea-based missiles it chooses.

At present, the United States

ing, then the Soviet Union, which has only tested these devices, would be free to place MIRVs on a major portion of their large-payload, land-based

If the Soviet Union does exercise its MIRV option, it is arguable that she will possess a sufficient number of warheads to threaten United States landbased missile force within the decade. This eventuality will certainly pose some difficult strategic questions for the United States, Under the new launcher ceilings, each side will apparently be able to mix its forces in whatever proportions it sees fit. Thus, the United States could face the problem of land-hased missile vulner-

missile force.

Another solution would be to amend the terms of the 1972 treaty on antibalistic missles to allow the construction of "bard site" ballistic missle de-At present, the United States is placing MIRV's aboard both types of missiles and by 1977 "bard site" ballistic missiles de mid Mr Gray is an Assistant will have deployed almost 1,200 fence installations to protect Director of the International such launchers. If press reports the larger oumber of vulnerable Institute of Strategic Studies.

missiles. Both these solutions vocative.

Hardliners, on the other hand, point to the apparent payload advantage that the Soviet Union has secured. If, as some com-mentators argued, the Vladisigned to keep the detente pro-cess alive, it has likely come at the cost of an ecrimanious de-

and Colin Grav

would be expensive and the latter, especially, would be pro-

In the shorter term, the Americans have problems of a different sort to work out. Already critics on both the right and the left appear dis-satisfied with the agreement. The liberals complain that the high ceilings have provided a carte blanche for new arms pro-grammes like the B-1 bomber and the Trident submarioe.

ability by phasing our these bate and future strategic systems and building more ballistic missile submarines.

Dichard Rust

Richard Burt

# The case for a bank to deal in food instead of money

Some 10 years ago The Times nuhlished an arricle by me pro-pounding the idea of a World Food Bank. Today, when the problem of food supply and disributioo, which was then menacing has become calamitous, this idea seems the missing piece in the programme adopted by the world food conference in That programme included:

A world food couocil to coordinate the work of international agencies. An international fund for agricultural development.

An international undertaking on world food security based on nationally held reserves, sup-ported by an information ser-

A commitment to provide, on a three-year forward plan, commodities and financing for food aid, m a minimum of 10 million tons of cereals per annum plus certain other foods.

A world food bank would provide a ranooal structure for the third and fourth objects and would hold the whole programme together.

The essence of the concept is that the World Food Bank would oot stockpile food any more than an ordioary bank stockpiles currency. Just as an ordinary bank bas to be io a position to lay hands on enough cash to meet any likely call that may he made on it by its depositors, so the WFB would have to be in a position to lay hands on enough food to meet any prohable call for it by its own creditors. This it would do by buying futures and holding liens on stocks beld by or under the control of governments or international organs such as the European Community.

Many transactions conducted with WFB credits, perhaps most of them, would be done directly between clients, involving a book transfer between one country's account and another's. rather than the actual furnishing of food by the hank, just as most of an ordinary bank's business is done by clearance of cheques rather than paying out currency over the counter. Apart from its actual supply of food, it would operate, like other hanks, oo the basis of deposits and advances expressed in money, and would be able to invest any funds not held in claims on food such as have been mentioned, to switch funds from one currency to another, and generally to operate like an international

There would be a system of mandatory minimum deposits, bearing no interest, to be made to be internationally agreed, as science, has two prongs: an would he the scale of mandatory overall shortage of foodstuffs.

The problem has two prongs: an overall shortage of food and the inability of those

who need it most to buy it

deposits. The contributory countries would be thuse with food surpluses plus advanced countries with food deficits which were willing to partici-pate in world food aid, among pate in world food aid, among them, one would hope, being the United Kingdom. The beneficiary countries would be poorer countries with food deficits, either chronic or caused temporarily by oatural disaster. They could use their credits at the back to be a consequent of their credits at the back to be a consequent of their credits at the back to be a consequent of their credits. the bank, representing their potential advances, to buy food either from the bank itself or on the open market or hy special deals with producer

countries. Besides its halance between deposits and advances, the bank would need a base of equity capital to supply its initial working funds and its reserve. It is suggested that this should be voluntarily subscribed by the contributory countries, with a limited call while the bank got under way, and remunerated by a dividend not exceeding a fixed maximum. The working expenses of the WFB would be met from its investment income, any net profit on food transactions, and if necessary a small-levy oo them. It would be free to accept deposits and make ad-vances on a commercial hasis over and above the mandatory

System. The board of the WFB, which would appoint its chief execu-tive and priocipal officers, would comprise representatives of both contributory and beneficiary governments. It must not be seen as an instrument only of the rich for dispensing their largesse to the poor.
It is obvious that merely set-

ting up a financial institution does nothing to iocrease the world supply of food. To that extent the WFB concept leaves bearing no interest, to be made the problem of feeding the by contributory governments. Ever-growing number of man-Beneficiary governments would be entitled to interest free diate problem of hunger, which advances, up to maximum levels rightly afflicts the world's con-

need them most to buy the in short, a combined prob of total aupply and of its di

A world food bank is desig to belp solve the latter pai the problem. Incidentally could contribute something wards solving the other par it took under its wing tha two points of the Rome gramme initiated by the w food conference. Its constion would well fit it to do and this would avoid the exp and confusion of a multiple of organizations operating related tasks in the same fi-

The long-term effect c also contribute towards so the production problem thre the price mechanism. On face of things, putting inational purchasing power food at the disposal of coun which would otherwise possess it would pro tant crease the overall demand thus put up the price for e body

The world food supply demand complex is fragme not only by national and reg policies of agricultural def and stahilization (subsidies port duties, levies and pro tions, guaranteed prices, prices, stockpiling, etc), but by special inter-governmented at negotiated prices. key fact is that, broadly st ing, those countries which afford it get what their sumers want, at whatever they have to pay, internal internationally.

The WFB would enable a tingent of needy benefit countries to join the rank those which can afford to for food, the bank itself t sometimes the purchaser their behalf; thus they w not be the last comers have the benefit of long cootracts and mass buying. effect must be to draw out production, partly through element of market stabilize which producers and merch would rightly see in the pres and operations of the bank

Alternatively, or si taneously, the increased e tive international demand, ) ing to higher prices, would to some ecooomy of coost tion in the richer count which will be occessary any if even they are not to feel pinch of sbortages as w population swells.

It is foolish to think that starviog can he fed without s sacrifice by the afflueot. task is to organize and ratic ize that sacrifice and the o bumane distribution of power buy food which it implies.

H. V. Hods

# Perhaps the most surprising thing about Sekt is that Germany has managed to keep quiet about it for so long.

At first sight, the word may seem totally foreign to you.

Say it a few times to familiarise yourself. Then cast your mind back to a trip along the Rhein or Mosel Now you may recall a wine of almost

apple-like freshness and bite that was served to you, perhaps one warm summer's afternoon. That must have been Sekt. And in all probability, it was Sekt from

the House of Deinhard. But your German hosts, perhapsthrough their long familiarity with the exquisite taste, didn't think to tell you about it at the time. So to make up for lost time, we'd like to

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# Why pressure is growing for a five-yearly census

"The census on Sunday will out in favour of changing to a sons for the delays in publish been discussed very fully since another abour education complete the series of decenfive-year census. Earlier this ing the information has been 1971. The National Couocil for qualifications.

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The putting of a "few sim-ple questions", as the origina-tor of the census saw the exercise, has remained a 10 year event. However, within the next few months the Govern-ment may decide to name the day for 1976.

Pressure for the change has been growing for some years. There is nothing within the act on the ceosus to prevent a quinquennial count-indeed it specifies that the census should not be beld less than every five years. An example has been set by Canada, West Germany and France, while Australia and Ireland are like

Britain considering the idea.
Since 1971 every locel authority and almost all government departments have come

In his fical report on Thulland, Michael Leapmac discusses whether a picturesque and in

some respects a backward country can build a tourist industry without destroying the very charm which attracted murists in the first place.

Life on the water—oo the rivers and shallow canals—is one of Thailand's most unusual

and attractive features. Houses are built oo stilts at the edge of the water, and much com-merce is transacted in long, uarrow boats.

The floating markets are a

powerful tourist attraction. Most visitors go to the one on the outskirts of Bangkok, hut,

precisely because they do, it has lost part of its authenticity. Shops along the hanks sell clothes, pottery and trinkets for visitors. Small children pester

them to buy sonvenirs and post

1 went to another market some 60 miles west of the capital. My guide said that a

year ago this had been a genuine market with no conces-

sions to tourists. But hecause

tour firms bad started taking visitors there, this too bad by now suffered the fate of the

We had to go a further few miles out to find a market

which bad not so far been exploited. Here it was notice-

able that there were far more

waterbound traders buying and selling mainly fruit and vegetables to each other frum their boats. Clearly the best busines for them, if not fur the

before this market, too, loses

one at Bangkok.

its authenticity.

Council decided the matter was urgent enough to approach Mrs Barbara Castle, Minister for Health and Social Security, direct. The reason for the pressure

from local and central govern-ment ites in the fact that census data has become an essential tool for the planner. A tool, which it is argued, must be constantly sharpeded.

After the 1961 coosus local authorities found they had often taken decisions which

were wrong when later set against the statistics. They reacted by asking for more material m he extracted from a 10 per cent count io 1966. Councils were beginning to set up their own intelligeoce units and hy 1971 the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys found a trend had become a deluge of demand.

The OPCS was asked to extract four times the information required from the 1961 census. One of the major rea-

after the census. Computer processing schedules were changed and changed again as orders, including the demands of two royal commissions arrived.

The census provides material which can be used for planning schools, roads, homes and transport. It can tell a local authority where there will be demand for a primary school in 10 years time or where more buses would speed commuters to work.

The planner feels thet information should he as up to date es possible hecause the population has speeded up its rate of change. Apart from drawing up plans the census can aid finan-

cial decisions. At a time wheo helps to bave the best figures available to strengthen the case against other projects. The arguments against the quinquential cersus have yet to emerge since it has not asked about commuting and

they will certainly lobby to alter aspects of it if it goes before Parliament. They will attempt to make it

voluntary and fight for tighter measures to ensure confiden-tiality. The range of questions will also he examined to see how far they intrude into privacy. The fact of the census will cause little problem but its nature could create as much stir as it did in 1971. The OPCS is still recovering

from that year which proved to be a trying time giveo the amount of criticism and the delays afterwards. It has worked to put its bouse in order with a new, large com-puter, and a request to cus-tomers for orders to advance. At the same time a new, sborter type of questionoaire has heen tested. In future, apart from basic questions, other sections will be varied so that one householder might be

marching. For two years to have been many promises to decision hur little else. Lords were told io June decision would be taken be the summer recent to the

General elections and string of crises have obvious pushed the sobject back de the list of priorities for Cahioer In a period of govern mental economy there may doubts about spending-£20m needed.

Advocates of the 1976 centre feel that time is now runt out and the Government have to make its decision see It takes 18 months to prepare the census because of grantiamentary work requirementary work requirementary printing the 20 million for and recruiting the 100,500 staff. If the decision is left by looe will the census face m problems if it goes ahead?

Stewart Tend

# The Times Diary

### Laying it on for the tourists

foreign currency earnings, after rubber and rice.

The people who run the tourist office are conscious of the possibility of over-exploitation. Certainly they know tha danger of creating too many places like that hill tribe village I described in an earlier report, where the villagers do little but

try to sell you things.
Yet although it is unreasonable to want it all ways, there are times when the tourist would welcome a little cosseting. The attitude to visitors at some of the fioe old temples and pulaces is sometimes annoyingly off-I went with a coach party to

see the King's summer calace at Bang-Pa-in, about a three-hour drive from Baogkok. The most magoificent building there is Chinese, a gift to the king from the Chinese traders in the capital more than 100 years ago. We arrived befure the advertised lunch closing time but found that the caretaker had sloped off early, so we could not get in. shops along the water's edge, is

There is no help for visitors
done when the place is at the Buddhist tectples, either,
uncluttered by sightseers. Yer They can take off their shoes
I suppose it will not be long and wander round, but there is precious little information about ts authenticity. what they are seeing. At similar
Thailand does well out of sights in most other countries tourism. Last year it had over you would not he able to move a million visitors and it is the for the crush of guides in tradicountry's third largest source of tional local dress.

Some of the innovations for tourists work well. One of them is a new passenger boat which runs day trips up the Chao Phya runs day trips up the Chao Phya river from the Oriental Hotel. (All old tropical hotels worth the name have been immortalized hy either Graham Greene or Somerset Maugham, and in the Oriental's case it is Maugham.) The trip gives a magnificent picture of river life, passing small fishing boats, large rive horges with curved zing rice lurges with curved zinc roots, and boats pulling team logs down river, bound warn bamboo for flotation.
The Thais make much of their traditional dancing. It is

charming stuff, reminding me in some ways of how people be-have at smart cocktail parties -fixed smiles, expressive hand gestures and rapid and frequent crossiogs from one side of the room to the other. If you see too much of the dancing it can seem a little one-paced, but creditably they have made no attempt to jolly it up for visi-

You cannot quite say the same about the food. That offered at tourist restaurants is bland by comparison with that served et the cheaper recthurants which cater for Incals. That food has elements of Chinese and Indian. There are hot curries, which lean more beavity on chillies and ginger than those from India.

The soups, often deliciously flavoured with lemon grass, are closer to a Chinese concept.
They are screed during the meal and not before it.

To conclude my reports from Thailand, I can only say that it is a place of great cherm and spirit. An Australion diplomat told me: "Anyone with the slightest capacity for compro-mise can hard! fail to have a gnod time here." I am certaioly

glad to have had the chance to

ralf if you can afford it.

Squirrel Margaret yesterday (drawn by Richard Sawers).

### Meadowland

It is some weeks since I hrought you news from Meadowland, for in truth little of note has happened there since the election, which the rabbits won narrowly. As soon as they bad done so, they began digging thmselves in for the hard winter everyone believes to he ahead. Jeremy's hedgehogs bave already entered their seasonal hibernation, and nothing at all has been beard of them since October.

Last week, although the rab-bits were having their annual conference, it was the squarrels who were making the most interesting news, and in particular the redoubtable squirrel Margaret. First she announced that she was going to challenge squirrel Edward for the leader ship of the species.

Then she caused a still greater stir by revealing quite shame-lessly that she was indulging in behaviour amounting to an almost satirical exaggeration of a squirrel's normal habits. She

said she had heen storiog exceptional quantity of nuts a other provisions to protect h and her family from the ho caust to come. Moreover, advised others to do likewise Although some applauded l foresight, many others deploi her action, pointing out that everyone did it, great shorts

would ensue. It is believed that her ado ted acquisitiveness might ba Margarer's chance of wrestli the leadership from Edwa On the other hand, she has st dealy begun receiving nousual quantity of invitation

### Diplomacy

The British boast an pressive presence in Bangkok a fine modern embassy alor side the splendid Edwardi buildings of the old, all warch over by a statue of Quel Victoria. They also have to city's highest flagpole, and thereby hangs a tale white sounds a orocryphal but whi

When the Americans we huilding their oew emhassy the were anxious that their flaterole should outreach others. So the ambassad phoned his British counterpa with an lonocent-soundir query about the exact height (his role)

his pole. The Brinsb ambassade immediately gave him the answer, but when the American pole was built it was still few feet shorter than ours. The wily and perfidious Briton, we taught in the cumning ways o diolomacy, had instantly recor nized the motive of the Amer can's question. So he had lic by a crucial dozen feet or so Our ambassadors are wonderful

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# Wines and spirits

# a Special Report

The British are drinking more wine — about 11 bottles a head of the adult population, Pamela Vandyke Price, our Wine Correspondent, writes.

This is a long way behind France and Italy, who manage about 161 bottles a year, but it would seem that, although wine is still considered a luxury, the prefatory adjective "sinful" has at last been dropped. There are, however, many who still assert that they cannot afford wine, but nevertheless manage to pay for doubles of spirit-based cocktails, gallons of squashes, cordials and fruit drinks, and so much confectionery and sugar that the United Kingdom is at the top of the world sweet tooth leavest.

and so much confectionery and sugar that the United Kingdom is at the top of the world sweet tooth league. The hundreds of table wines that can still be bought for £1 or less of quality sufficient to please anyone make wine both a bargain and a true convenience food. A splendid octogenarian, badly crippled, wrote that it was less trouble for her to give a small glass of Cyprus cream sherry to a visitor than to make even instant coffee; the man or woman required to eke out fish fingers or bread and cheese with the unexpected and perhaps important caller can count on the fare being made more than adequate with the help of a table wine.

The enormous increase of sales of wine by mail order and the beginning of serious wine marketing by Marks & Spencer indicate the existence of a market that is prepared to sample and accept wine drinking as part of the life of the seventies, as they tried and now enjoy the avocado pear and aubergine, the fondu party and the barbecue.

In any magazine article about entertaining, the bottle of wine near the table is as typical a "prop" as were candles in the 1950s and wooden peppermills in the 1960s, Even if the cynical remark that rhe increase in wine drinking reflects the need for release from the tensions of our times (sparkling wine consumption always rises sharply at periods of crisis), such things as the wide interest in home-made "wines" (not strictly wine according to the definition of the Wine and Spirit Association), the making of alcoholic beverages using imported musts and cultures, and the remarkable quality and quantity of wines from English vineyards would seem to have established that wine is once more the drink of the British Isles.

There is, of course, much spectator drinking as well.

Lavatories are papered with the sort of labels that indicate
a vast and choice consumption of wine in the household—
not always born out by the provision of a single bottle
between six or eight people at a meal, and the placid
assertion by many husbands that a half-bottle tan uneconome size in both quality and quantity) is "quiteenough for my wife and mysell". Bottles of fancy shapes
sell in huge numbers, and the comment about turning them
into table lamps is not wholly a jest.

Newly-married couples acquire "suites" of glasses, many of which are mean in size, cheats in colour, and of shapes which make it impossible to enjoy any wine. Restaurants which rely heavily on the description "atmospheric" equip themselves with wine racks above the hotplate, so that red wines come semi-mulled to table, they warm brandy glasses (brandy warmers are still suggested in gift features), and they use the wine cradle at the table. Supermarkets and some shops expose bottles to hours of strip lighting—which is also heating—and sunlight, and



few pubs or even wine bars seem to be aware of the fact that sherry and all aperitifs should be served chilled, and that these drinks and vermouth deteriorate once opened and should be drunk within seven to 10 days.

People who find it as necessary to have "my" wine merchant as they do "my" broker, bookmaker or sauna parlour, and who are now acquiring "my" wine club still confidently assert their special knowledge by proclaiming, "I like Nuits St Georges" (when there must be dozens and possibly hundreds of Nuits St Georges, all different): or, when talking to anyone who writes about wine asserts that of course they know nothing about wine at all—when millions of words are written and spoken on the subject every month. It is still a matter of surprise to those who "leave everything about wine to my husband" that there are a number of women holding high positions in the wine trade.

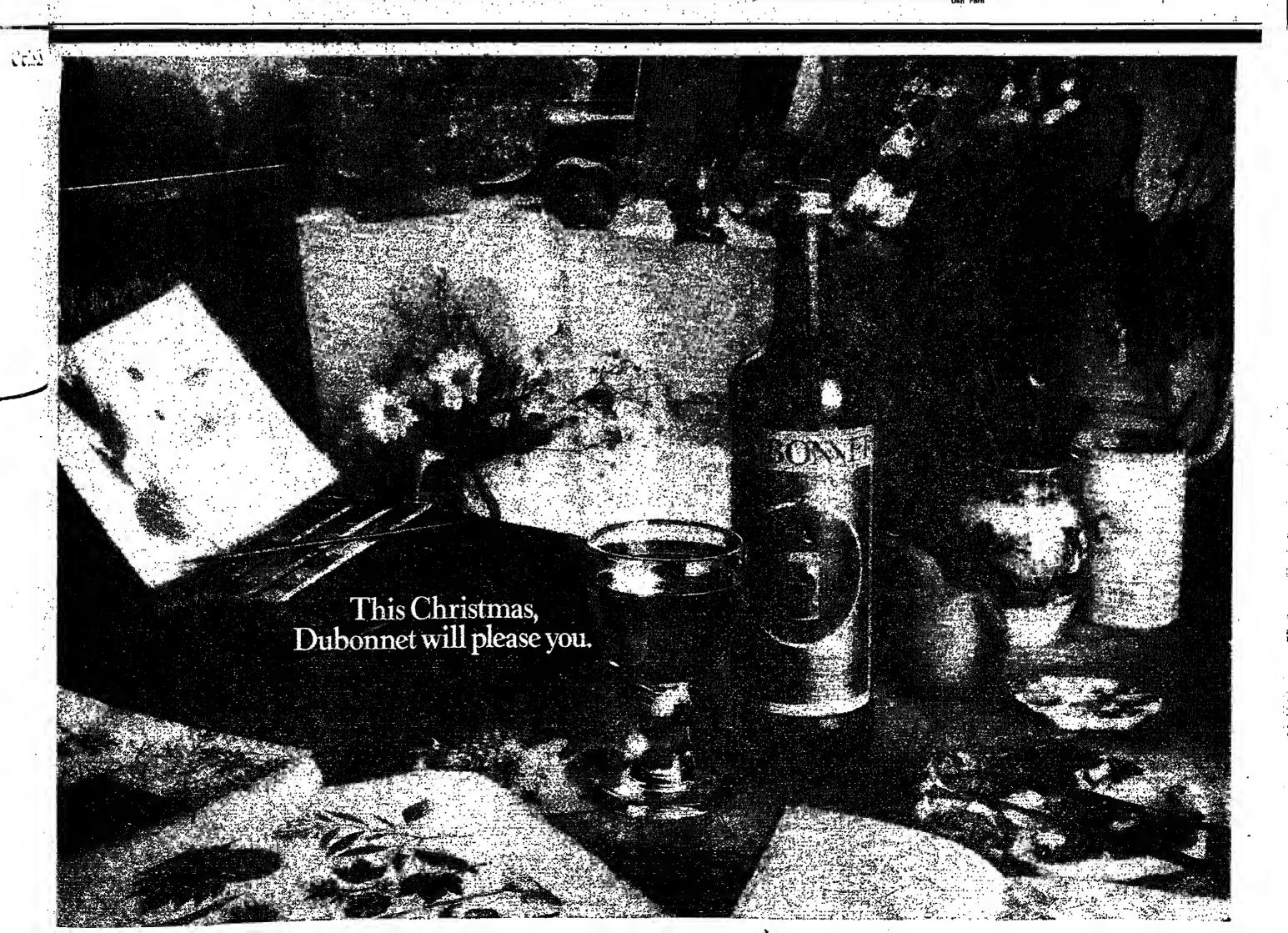
The most notorious spectator drinkers, however, whom t admit I have never managed to meet, are often described to me as "wine tasters". How the rest of us contrive to sample the contents of a bottle except by tasting I cannot tell. "Wine tasters" who t believe like the adjective "expert" associated with them, doubtless do their tasting rather in the manner of one inhaling Friar's Balsam, or holding the glass high up to the light of a guttering candle. Their chests surely clatter with the insignia of wine fraternities, and they tend to write furiously to wine journalists about firms who "muck around with wine" and ask why we only mention "expensive" wines when they can get "Chablis" or "Beaujolais" for 60p a bottle." If I did meet a "wine taster" I should probably have to

If I did meet a "wine taster" I should probably have to apply the term "interesting" to him or her. This word, for wine lovers, has awful significance: it is usually untered when one is asked to give an opinion on a beverage so unpleasing that one plays for time while searching for the least insulting way of telling the truth. Among those who truly love wine, of course, even the most damning comments will not give offence—it is perhaps the only topic about which violent differences do not affect friendship or reflect on hospitality.

Yet, in spite of all this—the current equivalent of the Thurber "naive little domestic Burgundy, but I think you'll be amused by its presumption"—there are wonders in the British wine world that make us the envy of many nations. There are more types of retail outlet: supermarkets, off-licenses, department stores, retail chains, merchants whose premises date from the eighteenth century, independent wine consultants issuing their own lists to selected customers, small-scale shippers specializing in the wine of a subsection of a wine region, wine departments of breweries (able to ship quantities of a size that enables them to offer wines at bargain prices), firms concentrating on mall orders, cut price shops, cash and carry hirms, wine bars offering bottles to buy, wine clubs, and the editorial columns of magazines and newspapers in which single bottles or selected parcels of wine are suggested by those who are not competing with the wine trade but who sometimes see the requirements of readers from a different angle... these are all facilities the British public can use for buying wine.

ed, although the subject is still relegated to one or two sessions in training courses for caterers or amateur cooks.

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# A love affair that is burn and barley

"Whisky", said my romantic chance to oust hrandy from colleague, looking pensively its eminence as the prime into his glass, "began as a spirit for civilized drinkers. love affair hetween a High
Phylloxern raged through land hurn and a field of the vineyards of Europe in harley." Appropriately, his the 1880s and by the end of name is Grant, a big name in that decade the Charence the whisky husiness along vineyards were almost wiped

Phylloxern raged through

whisky prospered. The hrandy-deprived topers of London rejected the thin, harsh fiery vegetable blends and discovered the joys of the Colling of the the colling of the the colling of the topers. the Gaelic eau de vie uisge-bentha, the water of life from the Scottish Highlands.

that hardly any of it ever such a had way that 99 per Lowland distillers found that fillers of the Highlands to called and their evidence was went out of Scotland, except cent of its spirit was being the almost tasteless stuff save uisgabaatha from adullong and complicated. But went out of Scotland, except cent of its spirit was helog the almost tasteless stuff and hend made up with distilled not from grape wice made in the patent stills teracion. The men who still patent still grain whisky. It patent still grain whisky which make made from the patent stills teracion. The men who still the real issue at stake was patent still grain whisky. It patent still grain whisky which make made from the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be patent stills or be patent stills or be patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be production for blending are the patent stills or be patent stil

as an excuse for the shrewd publicans for selling grain Lowlanders to make cheap whisky. To the Highlanders' whisky with the Highland delight this was defined in taste by blending malt with the charge as "an article not grain, than because there is of the nature and substance any real substance in its demanded".

The wine trade in Europe was reduced to such dire strains that one famous port strains that one famous port strains that one famous port sie to make.

It was, and is, argued that flighland malts are too heavy instead of the unobtainable brandy.

From this misfortune

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It was, and is, argued that the first malt to make a respectable of it south to the Lowlands, Laphronia, Laphronia, Lapavulin and the whisky which hecame for the unobtainable brands.

From this misfortune

The distinction were the High-the difference is one of area distinctions of flavour. The distinction were the High-the difference is one of area day by the mait distillers. But distinction were the High-the difference is one of area conses from Dufftown in the grain distillers appealed. Indeed, who drank their own hut even within areas there in North London. This country the flavour but was more expensionally in the grain distillers appealed. In the grain

had appointed a royal commission which, in 1909, found that whisky is "a spirit obtained hy distillation from a

tween the pot-still method ies which once sold all their and the parent stills or be production for blending are tween a mash of peat-dried bottliog malt and offering it barley as used in the High- for sale in various ages and lands or a mash of mixed strengths as "cbāteau-bottled tion very adequately. So in refuse a dram of the Granals as used in the Low- whisky".

Glennver, tha must arise trom Urkney, which to its island origio tastes oldest liceoce to distil the peaty than some Speyr tion very adequately. So in refuse a dram of the Granals as used in the Low- whisky".

Buchanan.

mash of cereal grain, sac-fashioo has turned and the you are unlikely to mistake mooey (alas, far too m charified by the diastase of malts, once drunk only to the Laphronia for Talisker. unwadays) the most men The was talking about malt which brandy is spirit once so little esteemed spirit once so little esteemed south of the heus and glens of the lardly any of it ever such a had way that 99 per Lowland distillers found that hardly any of it ever such a had way that 99 per Lowland distillers found the thin acid white bentha, the water of life scribed by the distinguished will be took over the world whisky mar world whisky mar arom of malts, once drunk only to the distinguished was non-existent. By whisky, the malt distinguished with the most men with the malts are now seen in scribed by the distinguished will be distinguished with the most men which brandy is cribed by the distinguished with the most men with the most men which brands is true of Spey with the most men which bear of the malts, once drunk only to the distinguished with the most men which bear of the malts, once drunk only to the distinguished with the most men which bear of the malts, once drunk only to the distinguished with the most men which bear of the malts, once drunk only to the distinguished with the most men whith the malts are now start in the malts are driver. The malt is true of Spey with the ma It made no distinction be and more and more distiller and lighter on the palate. The tween the por-still method ies which once sold all their the most arise from Orkney, which for the por-still method is which once sold all their than most arise from Orkney, which for

Grain became respectable only after the Government had appointed a royal comlike Dewar, Haig and James which the barley is dried is where another family imoregoated with seaweed. Grants make a malt with Yet there are such variations magnificeotly full and

But the tide of drinking in tasta hetween them that tioctive flavour. for

### Whisky the undisputed king

and a proliferation of was 1,600,000 cases in 1971 British consumption.

heards, but it is most initially that as much as 2 per year will probably show a small proportion of and 2,400,000 in 1973. This likely that as much as 2 per year will probably show a troduce innovations I doubt cent of Scotch sold in small increase.

Britain is malt, and in England and Wales it is ceresplit rum into white and lasting impression on the tainly much lower, for it is infinitely more popular mates are that io 1973 ahout and traditional preferences.

There has been a great So much advertising bas to 400,000, but it will be deal of exaggeration of the been devoted to white rum seen that liqueurs—a profit-rising popularity of straight that many people think it able if tiny percentage of malt Scotch whisky. There has superseded the tradi imported spirits—and other has been increased interest tional dark and more punimports of spirit provide in it during recent years gent spirit. The total market only a small proportion of and a proliferation of was 1,600,000 cases in 1971 British consumption

sent of Scotch sold in small increase.

Britain is malt, and in England and Wales it is cerland and Wales it is cernorth of the Border.

Belinds are what made rum and the figures of and blends make it the dominant spirit. Various dark rum's popularity is proprietary brands of with blended with whisky are not in its raditional areas, strong enough to be classified as spirits; they have that oldes, it remains spirit was white remains the removed.

Though way heliod with first the British, Gin has suffered severe competition faced with winksy, gin remains the record most popular spirit with the British. Gin has suffered severe competition faced with winksy we are again suffered severe competition for the British are least source and the same alcobol consecuence of the British are least source and the same alcobol consecuence of the same alcobol cons

# Blithe spirit that is the senior statesman of the brandy world

Twelve million cases might favoured course, Scotch whisking the spendid enanged feet sports on the caregory of the the category of the spendid cases is the estimate. So the spendid enanged feet sports of the expensive makes a solution for the cases is the estimate. So the spendid enanged feet sports are from a first time for the caregory of the expensive promotes are from the properties and the spendid enanged feet sports are from the category of the expensive promotes are from the properties are from the properties are from the category of the expensive promotes are from the properties are from the

What is not generally rea- major exporter of Armag- hut Armagnac is produced There are three Armagnac matured. They are made fixed is that Armagnac is nac, said: "Gascony is cut by a method of slow con-regions: Bas Armagnac, from a Gascon heart-of-oak, the senior statesman of the off from all other areas and tinuous distillation which Tenarèze, and Haot Armag- and no other was ever used

Thare bave heen no sen- from other distillates but it mate the split between cogsations this year. The has weathered the "white oac and the simple grape cannot be industry and its control of its cont

# Mystery of the aperitif in France

The Germans have their give the crisp local wines light, very similar to a *jino* lovely moselles, the Italians such a delicate flavour and sherry; but I find that the their deliciously bitter-sweet fragrance.

the excellent Dry Lustau ness. It is a real discovery defeat you need it ". range, a fino, a manzamilla at only about £1.15 a bottle, and a beautiful dry oloroso, can still be bought more cheaply—£1.60 is an aver
the most dalightful of all winter aperitifs is a chilled

Andalucia, grown on an out-crop of the albariza soil of Jerez. They are fresh and

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ved with a slice of lemon in the glass. They also have a red Chambery, quite I find, served chilled; and a really dry, long-matured ppealing.
Sherry, for so long the virgin marsals with its nutty

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a really dry, long-matured a really dry, long-matured drigin marsala with its nutty bounet, deep flavour and butter, appetizing finish has soared io price almost seemed; all my old favourites—Garvey's San Patricio, La Riva's Tres Palmas and Valdespino's Inocente among the finos, Garvey's La Lidia, Findlater's La Luna, and that most welcome revenant on the British market, the British market at a but 11.55.

The Color Britis In spite of Britain's flagging economy, sales of wine rose by an astonishing percent

defeat you need it."

Although the figures from June, 1973, to June, 1974, to Jun

ler reflect the reasonable Until well into this century to the champagne proced wish of the great champagne the bead of Roederer at that The Saar Schloss Saa houses to husband their time refused to make other has for years been por reserves. There are now a than a slightly sweet cham at Glyndebourne. Her

There are some of the wines clearly riving the private cellurs in the selected for the unexpected below our damp pleasure they can give to the drioker at a price considered reasonable. People wines from all the survey of the world—Argentica, Chife, actually make it more South Africa, Australia, chies world—Argentica, Chife, and distion to the established classics of Europe ply, and then grumble and the sort of Mediters wine dranking. This gives the Britton a perspective on origin.

The more state of the unexpected bave sent the price of chadrates that carea a price considered the unexpected bave sent the price of chadrates and except that carea in unwilling to accept that certain conventions associated with serving wine actually make it more cassing to make vintage only. It is probably fair to suppose that champagne at its present champagne and charmat methods from outside the champagne and charmat champagne and charmat may be good as wine the drioker at a price of the Champagne in the United Kingdom is still veuve du Vernay, product of the Champagne is the United Kingdom is still veuve du Vernay, product of the Champagne wholes of the Champagne is the United Kingdom is still veuve du Vernay, product of the Champagne is the Un

selection is available.

In champagne, after several vintages that were not wholly satisfactory, stocks have tended to run down, and tha bigher prices of the world's supreme spark.

In champagne, after celebration dinoer or at supper. Roederer, whose "rich" prices.

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pagne sparkling market in robust wine is required the United Kingdom is still partner the food.

As an aperitif, dry cham- The Loire sparklers.

Until well into this century to the champagne proceed the head of Roederer at that The Saar Schloss Saa

# Jims De Jingsweineuro LABEL de Garantie

### Something to go on, besides price.

It's natural to suppose that the more you pay, the better the wine. But oow, for as little as 70p, you can get good French wine with the from where it says it comes from. to sweet. From about 70p to £1.50.

VDOS stamp on the label. It's a stamp of quality awarded hy the Freoch Government VDQS stands for "Vins Délimités de Qualité Supéneure"

approved vineyards). It means that the wine comes

It's made in limited quantities. From traditional grape varieties. By approved methods. And every three months, ao official tasting committee makes

for wines of superior quality from sure the wine is up to scratch. There are white wines, reds and

roses. From light to robust, from dry You'll have to look care-

fully for the VDQS stamp. It's usually about this big: VDOS wines from France.

WPSTE FOR SERVICES TO FOOD & POMY EVANUE OF BEPRELEY STUDONOWY. SAD.

Hicks & Don of Elmham, Dereham, Norfolk, have an extraordinary Cyprus finostyle sherry at only £10.82 a case, simply called Palest

Dry. and a good South African dry sherry, Capa House, for £12 a case. There is another solution: the sberry-like wines of Montilla-from which amontillado gets its name, wines from the hot heart of

British enjoying wine more

wines that, in certain in-

continued from page I wines that, in certain in stances, produces the type of wine lover who earns remained are still numerous requests to the wine trade for "a speaker and a free tasting "from the sort of associations that simply required someone to suit those attending into antiability for an hour.

Yet the British are truly enjoying whee more as well as a struly definiting it the soil comes finest private cellars in the whoo cheap wines are sworld below our damp plant the drickes at a region of the sworld below our damp plant the price of the supper stances, produces the type houses to husband their time refused to make other than a slightly sweet cham, as time reserves. There are now a treatment of the luxury pague, even for the British sweet cham, as including reserves and street are now a streatment of the luxury pague, even for the British. Trockeo is perhaps a reserve wines available size of the super and shightly sweet cham, as lightly sweet

# Imaginative buying is essential for restaurants

"At the present time, wine is consumed with meals out, other than in the course of husiness entertaining, when he is regarded as a leisure activity rather than as a means of subsistence."

This conclusion forms pert if the recently pubsic as a means of subsistence. This conclusion forms mean modestly priced. The conclusion forms pert in the recently pubsic as a means of subsistence. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more modestly priced. The conclusion forms mean modestly priced to many more people or the happiest moment to write about a subject which has had more than its fair has a memotive, speculators.

The reason that claret—the requires even more of attention, and the claret—the wine is tamic and raw.

The restaurant will probe at laking e on the ceptor are almost everywhere the investment.

The restaurant will probe at laking e on the city of the wine sound that is the price to warrant buying for more down wines. It is microstant too. However, to wines more becoularly and lack of confining wines. It is microstant to the wine sou

# Jerez combines sense with sensibility

hundreds of thousands of hunts of agiog wine, is a place which has tradically managed to combine sense with sensibility. The people of Jerez have shown—certainly in the censions have reamed up with them—that they also know how to market their wines. Individually and collectively, through the Sherry growers and hunts of agiog wine, is a about 10 per cent.

Sherry growers and exporters are still looking about 10 per cent.

Sherry growers and exporters are still looking and considerable number of newly-planted vineyards north of Jerez.

On an individual basis, customers that the Jerez bave, it which British meractivities directed towards that potentially huge market, the United States. While the old reliable markets, led by the United Kingdom, are certainly not being overlooked, the people of shows of the sherry growers and they are still the best branchy customers that the Jerez bave; hut the proposition of exports to domesters, the United States. While the old reliable markets, led by the United Kingdom, are certainly not being overlooked, the people of their sherry growers and they are still the best branchy customers that the present slump will that the prese Individually and collections of the United Kingdom, are certainly not being overlooked, the people in the sherry business are convinced that they cannot afford, in these times of economic upheaval, simply to sit back and let their good wines sell themselves.

Plans are under way now and officerte the 1975 Fiesta

to sit back and let their good wines sell themselves.

With its headquarters in the marhie-balled Wine Palace of the hroad flowery Avenida de Alvaro Domecq of the northern edge of the small city, stepped up its efforts to find and expand oew markets eveo in the easy-sell years of the late of special years of the late of Fist de la Vendinia that the 27-year history 1960s and the first few years of the 1970s.

The job of the council, retain has been honoured also the chief of the proving the proving the the first few in the state the 1975.

The should be a vendinia to the state the wine state the wine to the wine its a glorious surmer, a cheerful companion of parts the wine instance to price at the wine in the all the full all tables.

Gutturnio, a newcomer to luciase state in the Tuscan Maremaa is a glorious surmer, a cheerful companion, a newcomer to luciase away winter's woes, cateriate in the Tuscan Maremaa is a glorious

were under way to bring a wine grown cannot he injection of distinguished creased beyond the normal Japanese and their wives to variances of crop years Sassacaia 1968, made on the eastern Mediterranean. Its Joyce Rack Japanese and their wives to variances of crop years Sassacaia 1968, made on the eastern Mediterranean.

The producers of what is Jerez, sherry sales to The productive and since it rather than his frequently undouhtedly the world's Netherlands (the world's takes several years more of less profitable—if more most historic wine, sherry, aecond higgest sherry cushave reacted vigorously to the cballenge posed hy rising costs and the international business slump.

It is oot surprising that posed tariff regulations of the sherry distance wine a minimum of about has Orson Welles taken to four years to begin to be making wine commercials taken to be making wine commercials taken to less profitable—if more slow natural aging to conartistic—foll-length films.

A number of sberry shippers are also paying more to assess future business attention to their brandies. They do not carry the seal of approval of the Sherry the share the plunge was newly-instance.

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ers.

To the light of current not yet anyway. True, developments, the decision sherry sales there have inof a committee meeting in creased steadily for more the Wine Palace more than that Japan he the bonoured 1973 of only 50,012 hectocountry of the 1974 Sherry litres, or about one-four-wine Harvest Festival, or teenth of the amount conficts a country of the larvest sumed by Britain.

depending on the weather, ing a familiar figure in without increasing the Britain because of his asso-acreage under cultivation. ciation with a particular But, since it takes a new brand of wine. Thus, too, vine a minimum of about has Orson Welles taken to

they have. The sherry district has been producing fine wines since at least the days of the Phoenicians, sharply in the original Six revolutions and depressions long forgotteo.

Jerez de la Frontera, an ancient city with a señorial style aod an atmosphere perfomed by the aroma of hutts of agiog wine, is a Sherry growers and sherry growers and sherry growers and sherry growers and their fairh in the future is

They do not carry the seal of approval of the Sherry concerns force a hodega manager to itself only with wines. But the hest guarantee of a good brandy is the reputation of the bodega which orders is a lost opportunity. Despite the gloomy predictions of economic experts everywhere, the sherry produces it.

Sherry growers and their fairh in the future is

# Claret and vintage port

share of attention, and tive overtooe: and it is reduced a setback.

The wine sceep is oot all gloom and despoodency.

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Certainly, as far as the average wine-lover is concerned, the recent drop in prices has been welcomed the recent drop in prices has been welcomed a return to commercial sanity with perhaps a nostalgic glance back at two or three very prosperous years and according to the first person line claret.

It is perhaps time to put the workloop as the wine in bottle—is percusy ears and according to the workloop as the wine in bottle—is percusy ears and according to the workloop and the workloop at the workloop at the workloop and the workloop and the workloop at the workloop and the workloop and the workloop and the workloop as the wine particularly in the workloop and the workloop as the wine particularly and the workloop and the worklo

German wices which do the comparatively small tage port has been less sul benefit from bottleage sel-amount of wine made in ject to the excitable ups an down appreciate ecough in Burgundy ensures a high downs of claret.

What sort of wices are speculators.

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Probably there all other interest in wice (the American speculators).



Barry Debelius At a recent Loodon wine auction 500 buyers paid about £118,000. Although there were bargains, the total was higher than expected.

### International newcomers to the table for connoisseur and all tastes

from Camisa.

Among the fairy-tale lighter than the names sugcest, they are more akin to spale staw gold, hrisk and Piedmontese countryside, a good quality hurgundy. Of Gahiano is admired locally not only for its heauty, but distinctive and betterfor the quality of its wines.

New on the market is its tage is softer and somewhat Barhera 1967, shipped by sweeter.

Spal. Interpart Springron name refers to the vineyard's historic connexioos with the Krights of Malta. The 1973 is pale staw gold, hrisk and delicately aromatic. Price is about £1.25.

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headed by President Antonio Barbadillo, who is Antonio Barbadillo, who is also the chief of the provincial delegation of the Government and a member of the Spanisb Parliament, is the hest customer; and the Spanisb Parliament, is delicious, well-halanced, dry and velvety.

The spanish Parliament of the wines which came of the district of origin, Jerez—Xerès—Sherry.

It also belps to promote them, pointing the way towards potentially profitable in one piece.

Although it bas a small prositive of individual export areas and, so far as possible, coordinating the efforts of individual export.

The spanish Parliament is a subtle, silky, fairly dry Australia has always sent us good table wines, especialisted by Harrods at £1.30, ally reds, but few to come at £1.05 it is a good huy.

Lawlers of Reigate, which is delicious, well-halanced, dry and velvety.

From the same shipper remove the aristocratic carema 1966, which is produced on the Ferrando estate on high alopes along the road to the Aosta Valley. Glorious crimson in colour, with a lety Kelsey of Learnington and huge population is really too hig a country to tackle wine industry, the export areas and, so far as possible, coordinating the efforts of individual export.

The spanish Parliament is the united States was also the honoured country of wine drinkers—the spanish of Jerez were quick to realize the twinners and velvety.

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Wine Harvest Festival, or teenth of the amount consisted de la Vendamia, under the direction of the unflappable Seoor Alberto Duran, permanent commissioner general of the fiesta, is anything hut a salesmeo's contend of the instance of the

thing hut a salesmeo's convection, there is no doubt that in the long run it bas its commercial impact. During the parties in the lovely gardens of the Jerez hodegas, with sit-down dimers served to as many as 1,000 guests in evening the commercial aspect is subdued; but wine is the commercial aspect is subdued; but wine is the Last September hundreds of prominent Japanese district. If it is any comfort of new markeds and sherry is no exception, that is the lovely gardens of the Jerez hodegas, with sit-down dimers served to as many as 1,000 guests in evening the commercial aspect is subdued; but wine is the Last September hundreds of prominent Japanese district. If it is any comfort of new mark that it is any comfort of new markets theme.

Last September hundreds of prominent Japanese district. If it is any comfort of new markets is a line of theme and the unusual asby taste decent, reasonably cheap, that the alack will be taken of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds dry white wine?, a friend of the unusual asby taste dry white wine?, a friend of the unusual asby taste dry white wine?, a friend of the unusual asby taste friends the unusual asby taste friends the unusual asby taste friends. The fact is that wine of these lovingly made, particularly matured Italian reds and the unusual asby taste dry white wine?, a friend of these form the vine of these form the vine of these friends and the unusual asby taste friends and the unusual asby taste wine from the vine from the vine from the vine from Satin

the Fiesta de la Vendimia.

All Japan drank less than one million hectolitres of sherry in 1973; with a proper follow-up of the fiesta are not the only factors that by sherry exporters, it is a safe het that that figure will jump up in 1975.

Efforts to get the Japan erss is the need to estimate ese to switch from sake to sherry came nooe too soon. While the arrangements with the fiests and sherry came nooe too soon. While the arrangements with the fiests and the result of the product of the staken in the market seven or 10 observed the market seven or 10 observed the arrangements.

Hat sherry prices will nett.

Another distinctive wine, should be, is Gatao, which costs less than costs 89p from Victoria Wine.

Although I dislike most the most attractive wines produced in Cyprus, whose viting the most attractive wines produced in Cyprus, whose viting the market seven or 10 obviously, the amount of Single vineyard wines are sparkling) and the only one liqueur from Dijon.

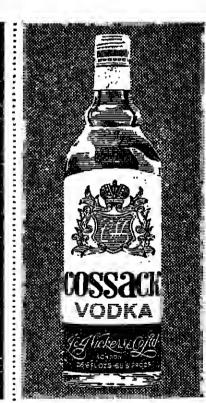
Rutherford, Osborne Perkin, Little except superior from Serbia as a good and listed by Francis Downplonk usually comes here example at the price (£1.05). man at £1.60. Its bouquet is from Cyprus, so I was pleased it is golden, silky, lovely to subtle, with a lovely to taste Domaine de Vivag-drink with fruit, puddiogs, mossy scent; its character gio, shipped by Harvey or after dinner.

Last September hundreds past five years in the sherry of prominent Japanese district. If it is any comfort opinion leaders, officials to the indigeot wine fancier, and top husinessmen were there is every indication guests of the organizers of that sherry prices will suest of the Organizers of that sherry prices will far and top husinessmen while the Fiesta de la Vendimia. All layan draph less than while

Joyce Rackbam







# The spirits of the seventies







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# More devilry than lignity as port is born

Were there shapely maid fours. The amateurs, well as with grape-statoed legs refreshed beforehand with reading the wine?" asked a generous libations of sherry, amantically-minded Cana are generally more enthurian friend when I got siastic than skilled, but is far too early to make predictions."

ian friend when I got siastic than skilled, but ome from a visit to Jerez great fun to watch.

In the Douro region of me. "No, but we did see a corthern Portugal, a sizable we hairy-legged men in ob-nailed boots, pounding is still pressed by foot, and is grapes—otherwise it's there the vintage scene duced a good quality vintage grapes—otherwise it's there the vintage scene is sadly disillusioned, and villagers who come up to a successful crop to profound this easy to unnerstand. In the public's imagnation vintage means an arduous task, especially and in the public's imagnation vintage means an arduous task, especially and in the public's imagnation vintage means an arduous task, especially of there is a heat wave. The ancing bands of jolly peateams include treaders and often musicians too. The analymine and in song, in warts ranging in generation, and in print, in the reading is done by stallulpure and in song, in warts ranging in generation, and analymine legend has heen sustained.

On those rare occasions then it comes to life, permander of the total production of the production.

Further good news comes from Jerez, where the sherry vineyards bave produced a good quality vintage, average in quantity. Since there are no vintage sterries, the importance of a successful crop to produce a successful crop to produce a successful crop to producers lies in its being of a quality to maintain their with the produced a good quality vintage, average in quantity. Since there are no vintage and quantity to maintain their with the grapes who come up to a successful crop to produced a successful crop to produced a successful crop to produced a good quality vintage, average in quantity. Since there are no vintage are of the total production to provintage and understant their attention, do not realize that there is a wealth of special sherries which are feet and legs which are feet and legs which are feet and water their attention, and their with the feet and legs which are feet and water their attention. From the production

wined.

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much under £4 a bottle, hut it is worth around".

Mr Wyndham Fletcher, of Cockburu's, says this year's vintage on the Douro was "a large bealtby crop, gathered in fine sunny weather.

most resinous, reminiscent fa Greek island wine. In serious the vintage stival the house of Sanderal in animatians the tradition of a foot-treading display at 1 Corregidor, one of their nest sites.

Male guests are invited to large into shorts and T. The 1960s are the youngest irreduced of the expert pisadores, or treaders, who get the drawing for the expert pisadores, and only among the ork in perfect unison in any of these available at of 1974 suggest a fairly touched.

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I talked the other day to Siècle) is made into "non-litate the other day to Siècle) is made into "non-litate to the vintage problems. He for Cyprus, as for no other wine-producing father took the drastic decision to make no wine at 1974 vintage was of will soon double it, at supreme importance to the conomy. After the tragic on the averent pisadores, treaders, who get the drink, and only among the of course, bave produced sion, the vineager areas of sovereign, a delicately pertained boots, and are they likely to find or the production (even their luxury champagne, Grand Inverted to the champagne, Grand Inverted to Siècle) is made into "non-litate the vintage "this is particularly Significant.

For Cyprus, as for no other wine-producing country, the success of the went to watch Trevor and bother them of their luxury champagne, Grand Luxury champagne, Grand Luxury champagne, Them of



Pioneers in Kent. Trevor and Joy Bates test the crop at their vineyard at Cherry Hill, near Maidstone.





The City is approaching Mer-cantile Credit's final results this week with some tropidatino and not a little uncertainty. At tha interim stage profits were virtually halved to £1.47m and although, in some respects, the secand half should bave seen an improvement, there remain a number of imponderables. The nutcome will be an important iodicator for the finance houses

as a whole.

The fundamental trading climate is unquestionably better now than it was during the first part of the year. Following the December restrictions, bire pur-chase business fell away sharply colocidentally with the threeday week. But since then there has been some recovery and third quartet statistics on new credit extended indicated a stabilization in monetary terms at around the levels seen in the same onarter last vear.

More importantly, perhaps, the passing of time has brought a progressive run-off in the business contracted during tha great lending days of 1972/73 when the finance houses were freely, making throe-year consumer loans at rates which left tine profits after they had been refinanced at the much higher levols seen in the secund half of last year and the first half

The easing of short-term interest rates since mid-summer has meant that the bonses are now nicking up the henofit uf the reverse swing of the pendulum. Since a rising propor-tion of their business is, in any caso, linked to the Finance Houses Association haso rate outside estimates suggest it could be as high as 40 per cent of total husiness for Mercantile and possibly rather more for UDT—margins should be re-covering well this half and profits therefore ought to be higher than the two previous

That, at least, is the theory. What is less certain is how far the cost of money to the finance the cost or money to the timance houses bas risen above money markets rates. The finance houses have not remained immune to the general ecycling process associated with the secondary bank crisis and bave drawn heavily on the support of their clearing banks. What price has been exacted for this sup-por is far from clear, hot one abvious possibility is that the houses are baying to pay a higher margin over loterbank rates to generate funds.

If so, the swing of the interest rate cycle into their favour can be expected to have a less significant impact on profits than has

As far as this year's results are: concerned, however, the crucial area of uncertainty is nver what provisions are likely to he necessary against loans to property. Last year UDT allo-cated provisions of £6m against £159m of loans secured against property, and unless its lending in 1972 and 1973 wera good deal more conservative than analysts suspect further substantial provisions may be unavoidable this year.

nt loans committed against property is much smaller although as a percentag of the total portfolio it may out he very different. So the same principle applies and hefty provisions seem inevitable. All told, thore would be little surprise in the stock market if profits work out at only around a third of last Private companies

If all goes well, the current vear could see the bouses establishing firm, even though depressed bases from which to firing line depressed bases from which to combark upon a period of renewed growth, but as long as property devolopment acmains under a cloud, with all the poteotial for causing further cubstantial losses, the ratings of base part of the company cheirman who walked into a City market in a colly to inquire about going unbetantial losses, the ratings of base part of the company cheirman walked into a City market in the company cheirman walked into a City ma substantial losses, the ratings of the houses are bound to suffer. Unsurprisingly in such prickly circumstances stock market assessment is concentrating on assessment is concentrating on the degree of exposure should the worst necur. The yields more recently listed companies of the three majors—Lloyds & in particular feel they have market lasts.

Scottish at 16.5 por cent, Mer- been hetrayed by the atock marcantile at 25.1 per cent and UDT at 30.1 per cent-are a direct reflection of their relative

Such lowly ratings have inevitably led to questions about whether the three independents will be likely to follow tha example of Forward Trust and Hodge Group and throw in their lot with their dominant share-

# Samuel Osborn

### The Jessel connexion

The City fears a downturn next year, and steel is a classic cyclical industry, but Sheffield special steelmaker Samuel Osborn is still confident. Order books remain good, although there are some signs of coofi-dence weakening among customers, and the group tends to suffer later than others from recession as a capital goods supplier to the engineering construction, chemical and

other industries. Oshorn can also point our that the new Ecclesfield steelworks is still not quite up to optimum operating lovels, that under EEC rules it can raise prices over 85 per cent of output as it likes, end that domestic earnings will stay tax-free for some years thanks to past losses.

Even so, the year to September 27 was exceptional. It was the year when for once Osborn had everything going for it both in Britain and Demand both in Britain and South Africa was running at high levels and export prices were good. Profits, moreover, had started the year at low levals. Some steel pricea rose by up in half. Ecclesfield got into its strido after years of dislocation expectations and redislocation, streamlining and re-equipment and there were stock

The now profits peak finds tho shares after a 5p riso on the figures at their par value, selling at 1.4 times earnings, and yielding 14.8 per cent. A crucial factor, though, is that in the hackground stands Jessel Securities' associate, Johnson & Firth

Brown, Johnson talked about cooperating more closely with Osborn last year, and the two companies are friendly even though there is no boardroom link. Osborn would not be averse to an industry restructuring to judge by the remarks of the chairman, Mr Bernard Cotton, in the last accounts when he complained about the long-term problem of oversupply and in-dustry fragmentation. He added that the group had talked with

other steel companies about merging production units. What happens to the Jessel stake in Johnson remains to be seen, bowever. Apparently three groups including British Corporation are intorested in it, but the EEC authorities will bave the final say. Osborn itself has further dividend leeway under the Treasury's recovery rules; and its hig investment programme is over. The shares Final: 1974 (1973)

Capitalization £2.3m Sales £25.89m (£19.69m) Pre-tax profits £2.88m (£671,000)

Earnings per share 18.4p (nil) Dividend gross 3.7p (1.3p)

had bear-market joke, but apparently a number of companies have been putting out foclors recently in this direc-

ket. The equity expansion capital they cama to market for is virtually unavailable at present, and soma seem to fancy their chances more with a atrong in stitutional partner like a de

velopment bank.
For such banks—say the de velopment capital arm of a merchant bank—there are attrac-tions in buying publicly quoted equity stakes, not least because market capitalizations are historically low, A hank may typically he financially struc-tured to take a five to sevenyear view. The attractions of buying undervalued assets with a view to taking dividonds initi-ally and ultimately disposing of

the company through a reflota-tion makes sense oo this basis. What prompts these observa-Graham, Trotman, Dudley Publishers, of Britain's Top 1000 Private Companies Private Companies, as re-searched and compiled by Financial Analysis Group. It reminds us that there are still very many large unquoted groups, technically quite big enough to go public if they wished

Just to give a fow examples: George Weston Holdings, hig-gest of the unquoted companies, had a 1973 turnover of 5733m and pre-interest profits of over and pre-interest profits of over 54m while Western United Investment Company (main vehicle of the Vestey family interests) comes second in the Top 1,000 with 1970 sales of £331,000. Thomas Borthwick & Sons (meat importers) had 1973 sales of £324m and profits of £11.7m, while well-known names like the Wellcamp Foundation. Little-Wellcomo Foundation, Little-woods Mail Order, C & J Clark (shoes), Ferranti, the David Brawn Corporation and Robery Owen Holdings all have sales well over £50m a year and pre-interest profits between £1m and £22m, though the raporting dates are out always compar

These and scores more meet The Stock Exchange's usual expectation of profits around the £1m mark on listing (though the only written requirement is that market capitalization should usually approach £500,000). However, far from these unquoted groups seeking listings, the trend would seem likely to he in the opposite direction, in the short-term at least. Isolated new issues like least. Isolated new issues like Henry Boot and George M. Callender last week do nothing

to upset this assertion.

Regular accountability to a wide group of sbareholders can be an onerous obligation for many companies and, unless the quid pro quo is access to wider capital markets the game may seem bardly worth the candle. Even the 1 per cent premium which quoted groups used to get un a debenture coupon (over an unquoted group's issue) seems to bave been eroded to virtually nothing.

ket, and the estate duty bene-fits of going public are often exaggerated by all but the mer-chant banks who know the

various options open.
The Financial Analysis group supports the theory that pri-vate companies are more effi-cient employers of capital. The ratio of profits to net assets in their sample group of 1,000 companies is 16.7 per cent compared with 14.4 per cent for quoted companies (this latter figure from official etatistics). For the record, a (thon) Department of Employment and Productivity survey in 1968 showed unquated companies investing far more in fixed assets and paying out less in dividends than quoted companies.

### Hugh Stephenson

# Lessons to be learnt on building a tunnel

Whatever the eventual ontcome of the Channel Tunnel affair, the entire episode is a rich case history of episode is a rich case history of how not to do these things in future. As, icevitably, more industrial and commercial activity, when it is on a multi-million pound scale, will be conducted in the grey area between government and the privata sector, it is important that the lessons should be

public discussion about whether we need a tunnel (and, if so, what form it should take) only developed after the project was well into its initial stages? Now that there is a real possibility that the final British decision will be against the tunnel, this means that substantial direct and indirect compensation payments may have to be made to those who have invested

in the operation.

One main reason is that, because of the curious hybrid nature of the tunor the curious hybrid nature of the fun-nel's financing arrangements, White-hall in general and the Treasury in par-ticular never considered it necessary to look critically at the proposals. The tunnel, if built, will be financed almost entirely by money raised by the operatrespective guarantees of the British and French governments. The figuring has not therefore, been included in the totals of forecast public sector. spending and the Treasury has come-quently not shown its usual meticulous concern for the wellbeing of the public

In the two respects that matter, bow-ever, this method of financing has vir-tually identical consequences to those that would follow, if the project were being directly financed by Exchequer loans. First, the real resources that will be devoted to the construction of the tunnel are just as real end as extensive as if they wera being bought by the as it mey were being bought by the Department of the Environment itself. The cost is now put at £1.500m (having started life at £846m). It is certain to go higher and the higher it goes the lower will be the fixed proportion (10 per cent of the original estimate cost) that will be paid for by the private interests involved directly.

Secondly, so far as management of the Government's debt and borrowing requirement is required (with all the attendant implications for the control of tha money supply) borrowing onder

government guarantee by the tunnel operating companies is the same as borrowing on the same terms by local authorities, nationalized industries or the Government Itself.

For, if the Government needs to borrow money on its account, the amount available will be less by what has gone into government guaranteed Channel Tunnel bonds. The loans themselves will become in effect an integral part of the pool of government guaranteed debt for which the managers of the public debt will have to care.

Lord Rothschild's think tank never

formally looked at the Channel Tunnol in relation to Britain's transport needs, partly for this reason and partly because, as a matter of practical politics, it was judged that Mr Heath had such profound personal commitment to be project (it had featured centrally in his private talks with President Pompidon) that it was not worth wasting valuable time trying to argue.

The result was that Mr Peyton, as the minister responsible for transport, pushed the basic tinnel Bill through at auch speed in the first half of 1973 that there was no extensive and informed discussion of the project as a

whole. For example, there was never any clear and coordinated picture presented of how the tunnel would fit. into the rest of the British transport

The two parts of the picture were furthor kept separate, because the private Channel Tunnol companies were only responsible for the hole itself. The

figures they presented on their account in no way included certain not insignificant items, such as the London vall link, without which, however, the ontire project made little overall seuse.

So the discussion about whether the tunnel project was viable financially ought also have asked much more clearly whether it was viable taking inm clearly whether it was viable taking imn account the other very large capital expenditures like the road link, which would have to he financed directly by government. If this had been properly taken into account in the total cost benefit analysis from the start, it must be doubted whether the project would have reached the stage whore, last week, Mr Crosland was finally required to say that £373m (not allowing for aeveral extra costs still to come) was too much for British Rail to spend.

# Japanese case on car restrictions threat

Both publicly and in private the British Government is heing arged to follow Iraly's lead and impose severe restrictions on Japanese car imports. The case for doing so would seem to he overwhelming. But

The growing protectionist lobby has yet to put any meat on the bones of their claim that the Japaneso have offectively closed their bome market to imported cars, and until they do it is impossible to examine the metits of their

The facts relating to the massive imhalance in Japan's favour are irrefutable. This year she will sell some 80.000 cars in Britain while we shall export at most 1,500. Last yaar on the basis of similar figures the balance of trade in cars in Japan's favour was £69m. But it is the reasons being advanced by British motor spokesmen for their failure to sell in Japan which noed closer examin

Sir Raymond Brookes, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, has attacked what be describes as "the non tariff barriers usually to be found in small print". Others have talked nf hidden obstacles. When asked for details they have referred regulary to hureaucratic administration of homologation regulations (acceptance test for new cars). They claim that this cao drag on for a year and by the rime clearence is obtained new regulations make further modifications neces-

They make great play of the long delay between the an-nouncement of new regulations and the issue of English translations by the Japanese Motor Manufacturers Associ-

seems to bave been erous virtually nothing.

Another factor, which certainly weighed beavily in the Pilkington Bros' decision to go public a few years ago, is a large number of family shares bolders, via a Stock Exchange quotation. Needless to say the many blocked by lack many blocked by lack many blocked by lack many care sales. able dealerships in the 20 large cities which account for 80 per cent of all Japanese car sales. In many cases is amounts to full financial ownership.

Where Japanese dealers are available they demand such huge profit margins that British cars sell at two and three times their United Kingdom retail price. Yet taken point by point there seem to be answers to all

these allegations which must be investigated heloro such a far reaching and potentially far reaching and potentially dangerous etep as the erection of protectionist barriers is nudertaken. For instance, cao the import of Japanese cars he considered in isolation from the remainder of the growing trade hotween tha two countries?

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In the first nine months of To comply with European this year Japan exported regulations they have to repo-



Clifford Webb looks at the Japanese motor industry in the light of many voices urging severe restrictions of their car imports to this country. But as he points out the question needs closer examination.

£443m worth of goods of all kinds to Britain while the reverse traffic accounted for £249m, a balanco in Japan's £249m, a balanco in Japan's favour of £177m. But a parlia-mentary question earlier this year elacited that on invisible earnings Britain bas an esti-mated balance in her favour of between £150m and £200m.

In addition a study of the average monthly value of British exports to Japan in the first nine months of 1974 show from a mouth compared with a year ago. (It would seem from this that British industry in general is making a belated on promising effort in the Japanese market which would be condenseed by a read war.) be endangered by a trade wer.)
On the question of homologation and other problams with regulations, Japanese spokes-men insist that they have as many if not more difficulties to overcome when exporting to EEC countries including

EEC countries Britain Nissan-Datsun for instaoce say that they had to wait 18 months to obtain approval to sell their 180 B estate in Ger-

sition side lamps, flashers, re- Japanese car manufacturers place steering wheels, modify ignition leads, after the size of number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little danger from an outside 'invasion' it is felt the pillar for seat belt anchor-ages, vary the thickness of safety glass, resoforce floors, change side and rear lamps and use tyres of different construc-

foreign motor manufacturer— though no such application has The Japanese are particuthough no such a lacly critical of British com- so far been made. in . "It is therefore clear that a plaints that regulations Tokyo are not available in later. They point out that the later. They point out that the SMMT does not offer any Japanese translation at all whereas their own Manufacturers Association provides English versions. Also there is a six months to one year period of grace granted to importers before they are required to comply. There is no period of grace in Europe.

There is now no restriction preventing foreign firms investing in or establishing a subsidiary company in Japan to handle the import of cars. But a little known law prevents a wholly owned foreign firm from owning retail outlets. There is, however, a loophole which in the present eager-to-please climate could be exploited—the Japanese Government have authority to waive the regulation on individual applications. applications.

In a recent statement Nissan

foreign manufacturer can establish his own 100 per cent owned subsidiary in Japan for importing and wholesaling putposes without being subject to government intervontion.

poses without being sunject to government intervontion, approval or red tape."

The statemant adds that such a company could appoint Japanese-owned retailers without hindrance. This does not, of course, answer the basic complaint that such dealers are not available because of the blanket coverage policy of Nisblanket coverage policy of Nis-san and Toyota. Nissan have repeated their

offer to assist British Leyland to establish itsolf in Japan by making available space on its special car carrier ships returning from Europo and also to service. BL cars through its. Japanese retail oetwork. BL have rejected this out of band because they say there are 100.

have rejected this out of band hecause they say thero are too many hidden strings.

Asked why British manufac-turers do not soll mora cars in Japan if, as they claim, the door is wide open, Japaneso spokesmen say the answer is to be found in British board-rooms and not in Tokyo. The difficulty in trying 10

sort out these complex counter-claims is that they ignore the present depressed state of world car markets. It may be that the Japanese are prepared to make a real effort to open to make a real errort to open their own market to foreigo cars, but they do so from an established position of strength in Europa which is hocooring politically unacceptable while thousands of German, French and Italiao car workers are helps thrown out of work and being thrown out of work and a similar spectre looms io One suggestion oow finding

support is that a summit conference of Japanese and European car chiefs should he called as a matter of great urgency. In the past, under the threat of protectionist measures, this has produced results in the shape of voluntary quotas imposed by Japenese manufacturers of other

# Announcement

themselves are well established

in the retail market in Japan

unlikely that the foreign in-

vestment authorities would dis-approve of any retailing appli-cation of this outure filed by a

The Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Limited

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# Business Diary in Europe • 'East Indies deaf'

Plans by Estel, the third largest steel company outside the United States, to invest in South Africa has caused a storm of protest in Tho Netherlands. A storm which ooco again outlines the paradox, one of many, of the co-existence of industry and Those who might think from afar that the Dutch nocessarily feel affinity to their Afrikacus nephews are much mistaken. The majarity of public and political opinion approves the releastless condemnation of opartheid, and white domination in southern Africa, while a vociferous minority remains in favour of continued contact.

But both politics and publi npinion are, as the Dutch say, "East Indies—deaf" to the fact that practically every one of the multinational firms for which the public must thank its present almost unequalled west present almost unequalled west European prosperity has a fully owned subsidiary and consider

able investments in that part of the world. between the employees there on grounds of race, colour and friedom of trade union activities was guaranteed. In the South African Salchana Sishel project, a new steel plant in which the South African States around 30 per cent interest. The safe in the form of Iscore has a 51 per cent interest. The existence of the plan was former chairman of the Kloos former chairman of the Kloos former chairman of the Socialist Trade Umions, an Estel, has limited its there is no sign that the socialist and promises of further common for the former chairman of the former chairman of the Socialist Trade Umions, an Estel board member representing the employees

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Gerhard Beil: pictured at the weekend after a hectic two-day visit to Britain.

He is oo rocord as telling the board that be bad no objection of the world.

Estel, Durch dominated combination of the former Hoogovens and West German Hnesch, is now considering taking of the control of the investment, so long as there was no discrimination between the employees there on grounds of race, colour and creed, and freedom of trade

nf, as the world council nf churches has demanded, selling up the State's shares and refusing to collaborate.

### I wo-day trot

We thought that Gerbard Beil, state secretary in the Foreign Trade Ministry of the German Democratic Republic, was in for a busy time during his two-day visit to Britain. And so it turned out to be.

Dr Beil was down in address the GDR section of tha Londoo the GDR section of tha Londoo Chamber of Commerce, and to call on ICI, GKN and BSC—all to be fitted in between meetiogs with Peter Shore, Secretary of Stato for Trado, Lord Beswick, Minister of State for Industry, Eric Deakins, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Trade, and officials of the British Overseas Trade Board.

Certainly Dr Beil and Deakins arrived late for their weekend press conference, and there was

press conference, and there was time for only two questions—one of which, of course, come from The Times. Amid the ritual noises about "increasing trade and cooperation" it did

lower prices.

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Like Scotch or port, sherry has to age. Even a modest tipple spends about three years " growing " in the dim bedegas and in being " educated " through hlending with yet older wines. This year's grapes, for instance, are unlikely to be decanted from bettles here in Britain before 1977 or 1978.

Business Diary in Europe is Business Diary in Europe is

Business Diary in Europe is reluctant to conclude a Christmassy story on an unhappy note, so putting the best face possible on the preceding transaction, we're glad to pass on ao assurance from Spain that—so far as sherrymakers are concerned—prices—bigh though cerned—prices, high thrugh they may be, should remaio stable for "some time to come"

### Sunk!

rear's crop, oor any prospect of lower prices.

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also a pro-marketeer).

Thomson then came mildly unstuck, as many politicians do, when ha embarked on some Dunkirk imagery. Yorkshire has some active and as well as pro-marketeers in the husiness community. Thomson had begun to say that, apropos of EEC membership, Britain was better off in a big ship than going it aloue in a small boat.

This was too good a chance

This was too good a chance to let slip for the ents already present, one of whom heckled that it was small boats that had saved us from one European disaster—Dunkirk—while everyhody knew what had happened to the Titanic.

### Rare bird

overcome, few yet think that careers in both husiness and politics are compatible. Visentini, born 60 years ago at Treviso near Venice, is a

Parliament for the Republicans, the junior partners io Aldo Moro's Christian Demo-crat-dominated coalition, and is one of Italy's leading tax experts. In industry, he was for years depoty chairman of the vast public sector corporation Instimm per la Ricostruzione Industriale (IRI), while latterly he has been chairman of Olivetti and vice-president of Confindustria, the private in-dustrialists confederation.

At the next board meeting Signor Visentini is expected to resign from the Olivetti chair manship and hand over to the depoty chairman, Roberto Olivetti, graodson of the founder. His departure from Confin-dustria, from which be has already resigned, may bowever

pose a problem. It was assumed that he would next

### PARKER TIMBER GROUP LTD. **OUTSTANDING GROWTH**

The Annual General Meeting of Parket Timber Group Limited was held on November 29th in London. The following is an extract from the circulated statement of the Chairman and Joint Managing

Director, Mr. K. Whitby:—
Group Trading Profit, before tax for the year ended 31st March, 1974. was £3,051,036 compared with £1,163,885 in the previous year. The Directors recommend a dividend of 1.9698p net pat share. This is equivalent to 11.76 per cent gross (1973 11.2 par cent adjusted for scrip issue 12th November, 1973) and allows the

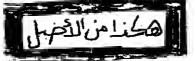
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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 1: The Duke of Edinhurgh, as President of the Federation Egoestre Internationrederation Egoestre Internationale, left Gatwick Airport, London, this afternoon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to attend meetings of the Bureau of the Federation and the ordinary General Assembly in Brussels.

Lord Rupert Nevill was in attendance.

A memorial service for Mr Dudley Deleviogne will be held in the Grosvenor Chapel. South Audley Street. W1 on Wednesday, December 4, at 11.30 om.

#### Birthdays today

Mme Maria Callas, 51; Sir Raphael Cilento, 81; Sir Walier Edmensoo, 82; Mr lan Finlay, 68; Sir Paul Grey, 66; Sir Josepb Hallsworth, 90; Sir George Laboochere, 69; Major-General G. G. Rawsoo, 87.

### L'oday's engagements

The Duke of Gloucester, as president of the National Association of Boys' Clubs, opens the Downside and Worth Boys' Club, SE,

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester altends reception to mark the Multiple Scients's Society's Iwenty-first anniversary. Chemil Galleries, SW7.
British Library's Milton tercenteoary exhibition. British Museum, 10-5.

#### Churchill Centenary Trust

All banks have agreed to receive ducations to the Churchill Cen-lenary Trust across their counters, from the public as well as their own customers, until December 6. The trust is asking for fim to complete two national memorials to Sir Winston Churchill Memorial Trust and Churchill College, Cambridge.

#### Christening

The infant soo of The Duke and Duchess of Marihorough was christened Edward Alnert Charles, oo Sunday, December 1, by the Rev J. E. James, assisted by Canon H. Firth, in the Chapel at Blecheim Palace. The godpareots are The Earl of Derby (for whom Lord Charles Spencer-Churchill stood proxy), Lord Ashcombe. Mr Neil McCoonell, the Priocess of Bavaria (for whom Lady Rosemary Muir stood proxy), and the Hon Mrs Charles Cecil.

Repeat after me in the

language of Amontiliado... Amontillado is the greatest

medium dry sherry. Amontallado es el jerez

sentiscoo más exquisita.

Amontillado.

It's not too sweet.

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Excellent. Now take this bottle

Learn to speak

Amontillado

the most fluent

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and just keep practising.

and Miss V. R. Hall
The marriage took place oo Saturday at Kilternan Church, co
Dublin. of the Hon Matthew
Richard Arthur, younger son of
Lord and Lady Glenarthur, of
Stairaird, Mauchline, Ayrshire, and
Miss Veronica Rosemary Hall,
daughter of Captain and Mrs
Michael Hall, of The Bridge,
Kilternan, co Dublio. The Rev John
Fisher officiated.

Fisher officiated.
The bride, wbo was given in marriage by ber father, was attended by Patrick Wilson, John de Roheck, Oliver Jones Davis, William Galhraith, Victoria McDermort, Camilla, Conclus Carrella, Camilla, Camil mott, Camilla Conolly-Carew, Fiooa Galbraith and Gunilla de Robeck. Major the Hon Simon Arthur was best man.
A reception was held af the
Royal Dublin Society and the
honeymoun will be speot abroad.

Mr J. R. Aykrovd and Mrs L. M. Phillips The marriage took place quietly on Nuvember 29, 1974, between Mr Richard Aykroyd and Mrs Lavinia Phillips.

Comte J. de Drye

and Mrs E. Fane The marriage took place to Lundoo on Saturday betweeo Comte Jacques de Brye, soo of the Comte and Comtesse de Brye, of 37 Avenue Bugeaud, Paris 16e, and Mrs Sarbara Fane, widow of Captain Edmund Fane, of Boyton

Mr M. J. Voggenauer and Miss M. J. Tweedie

The marriage took place at St Mary's Church, Cadogan Street, on Thursday, November 28, between Mr Michael Voggenauer and Miss Margarei Tweedie, Father Aoiony ffrench-Mullen officiated. The bride was attended by Toby Hudson, May and Amy Tennant, Harriet Constantine and Helen Peterson, Colonel Prince Lieven was best man. A reception was bald at Claridge's Hotel.

#### Latest wills

Purnell, Dorothy Gladys of Mid-sumer Norton, Avoo, left £19,952 net too dury shown). Sha left £1,000 each to Paulton Central Methodist Church, and the Metho-dist Home Mission, £500 to The Cheshire Homes and after repr Cheshire Homes and after personal hequests the residue equally between the China Inland Mission, the Bible Churchman's Mission and the Mildmay Mission to the

Jews. Other estates include (net, before duty paid; further duty may he payable on some estates:
Abel Smith, Major Desmond, of
Great Misseoden, company director, (duty paid, 515,351)

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Allfrey, Mrs Nina Darling, of Chacombe. Northamptonshire, (duty paid, £30,847). £10t,637

Barker, Mr Frank Richard Peter, of Nawton, Yorkshire, (duty paid, £18,751). £198,998

Keys, Major Harry Wilsoo, of Suttoo Coldfield, president of West Bromwich Alhion football club, (duty paid, £4,533)

Skelmersdale, Ann Lady, of Farnborough, (doty paid, £39,762)

£114,070 £135,087

### Marriages

Hon M. R. Arthur and Miss V. R. Hall

Negotiations between the Courch of England and the Government about 4 new procedure for the appointment of bishops can be expected to start soon. The difficulties are formidable, and the church could well find the going posity tough. pretty tough.

Although it was back in July that the general synod made plain its desire for control over episcopal

appointments, nothing much has happened since. Officials of the general synod felt they had to wait until a new Archbishop of Canterbury was affectively in the saddle, until there was a Government of Westminter was a Covernment of the westwinter was a covern ment at Westminter with a reasonable prospect of some years of life ahead of it, and until tempers had. cooled a little insida the church

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

All three conditions now apply, and the informal contact on this question between church and state which has existed so far is likely to be made more formal.

No machinery of government exists to handle such matters, and it is an open question whether the Prime Minister and his advisers will want to establish some. In-deed, the Government's attitude is an unknown quantity; it is possible

and Miss P. P. Lawson Johnston

The engagement is aunounced between Martin Arthur, second son of Mr and Mrs Philip Hudson, of Newbridge Mill, Sussex, and Primrose Pearl, eldest daughter of the Hoo Hugh and Mrs Lawson Johnston, of Melchbourne Park, Bedfordshire.

Mr S. J. Beaty and Miss C. E. Young The engagement is aunonneed

between Stephen, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. V. Beaty, of London, SE26, and Clare, daughter of tha late Sir Alastair Young and the late Lady Young, of Rhu. Dunhartonshire.

and Miss C. A. Ferard

The engagement is aonounced between Ian Reddie McNeil, of The Harrow, North Street, Midhurst, son of the late Captain J. R. McNeil and Lady Rebbeck, of Stubb Hill House, Iplng, Midhurst, and Caroline Anne Ferard, of 101 Ehory Street, London, SW1, daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R. L. Ferard.

and Miss E. Wilmersdorfer
The engagement is announced
between Simon Philip, soo of the
late Mr J. G. Berry and Mrs Joan
Berry, of Netherton, Huddersfield,
Yorkshire, and Elisabeth, daughtar of Mr and Mrs Hans Wilmersdorfer, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil,

The engagement is announced herween Stuart McHardy, elder son of Mr and Mrs Alan Brown, of Weydown Road. Haslemere, and Alison Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Way, of Rose Walk, Purley.

Mr D M. C. Chichester
and Miss F. J. B. Allsopp
The engagement is announced
between Dermoc, son of the Hon
Desmond and Mrs Chichester, of
Esseodon Close, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, and Frances, eldest
daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael
Allsopp, of Little Cornell Corne

Allsopp, of Little Coxwell Grove. Faringdon Oxfordshire.

and Miss M.-L. Costantino
The engagement is announced between Simon Garth Davidson, son of Mr A. G. Davidson, of Hyde Park Square, London, and of Mrs A. Y. Crowther and stepson of the late Dr Harold Crowther, of Blewburton Court, Aston Upthorpe, and Miss Marie-Louise Costantino, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Arturo Giovanni Costantino, of Maclean, Virginia, United States.

The engagement is announced hetween Richard Howard, younger son of Mr and Mrs Trevor Evans, of Aysgarth, Clayton Road, Mold, Clwyd, and Christine Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs E. R. Morgan, of Bemfica, Usk Drive, Gilwern, Gwent.

The engagement is announced between Timothy Francis Robinson, of 35 Moray Place, Edinburgh, youngest son of the late Mr G. S. Robinson and Mrs A. J. Brock, of Bratton Farm House,

Mr S. G. Davidson and Miss M.-L. Costantino

Mr R. H. Evans and Miss C. M. Morgan

Mr T. F. Robinson and Miss B. A. Bevan

Mr R. Shuttleworth and Miss C. Gatty Saunt.

£50,000 winner

The weekly £50,000 Preminm Savings Bond prize, annonaced on Saturday, was won by bond number 5 JT 959699. The winner lives in Hackney, London. The 25 £1,000

Militant grocers are about to

ake over where militant farmers

have temporarily left off. The National Food & Drink Federation.

which represents 10,000 indepen-

dent retail food traders, adopted a suggesdon last week to hold a "drive-in" at Whitehall early next year to underline the dis-

pleasure of its members at the Government's intention to increase national insurance contributions of the self-employed.

The suggestion came from Mr Leonard Recres-Smith, director-

general of the federation, who said: "The farmers bave shown

the way. Our object will be to cause as much congestion as we can in Whitehall. We regret the inconvenience this will cause the public, but this seems to be the

only type of argument the Govern-ment understands ".

ment understands

He added, echoing the views
expressed by some members of
the Farmers' Union of Wales at
their last council meeting; " We

their last council meeting: "We have decided that we must act more like a trade onion." Mr H. G. Corke, of Pembroke, said at the meeting that the best way for working farmers to win the support of other working people would be through affiliation to the Trades Union Congress.

The council also decided to press for compensation for live-

Mr S. P. Berry and Miss E. Wilmersdorfer

Dr S. McH. Brown

and Miss A. J. Way

**Forthcoming** 

marriages

Mr M. A. Hudson

Mr I. R. McNell

Difficulties lurk in debate over bishops the church will get exactly what it wants "On the nod", hat equally possible that it will have to run the gaundlet of a full royal commission.

The church will get exactly what it have the right to nominate members of the House of Lords, for instance. If hishops were chosen by the church, and the senior bishops of the church kept that all marks of the church kept that it was the church kept that it will be a senior bishops of the church kept that it will be a senior bishops of the church kept that it will be a senior bishops of the church kept that it will be a senior bishops of the church kept that it will be a senior bishops of the church kept that it will be a senior bishops the church kept that it will be a senior bishops that it will be a senior bishop that it will be a senior be a senior bishop that it will be a senior bishop that it will be a senior be a senior bishop that it will be a senior be a senior bishop that it will be a senior be a senior bishop that it will be a senior bishop that i

So far there are no indications that the Government will shift from the "benign neutrality" towards church affairs that it has shown on the issue of worship and doctrine. It will want to give the church what it is asking for, giveo that the general synod's mind has been so clearly stated.

The synod voted by a substantial majority for a motion asking that the church should be given the "decisive voice" in the nomination of hishops, and that the process of selection should be handled by a small ecclesiastical committee consisting of local and national church representatives.

This looks decentively listed to This looks deceptively little to ask for, and if no wider issues were raised there seems to be no

reason why the Government should not agree. But the relationship he-tween church and state is such a complicated tangle that discussion is almost bound to heard the is almost bound to broaden into general constitutional matters. It would be a new departure to the evolution of the British consti-tuition for any person or body apart from the Prime Minister ro

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Women's Royal Naval Service

aupt S. V. A. McBride, Jan of Cinchavhome, as Cmd WRNA Offr.
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The Army
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Appointments in

the Forces

Royal Navy

The Army

Royal Air Force

University news

Christ's College: J. E. Meade, CB, MA, fellow of the college and emeritus professor of polidical economy, has been elected inro an bonorary fellowship.

Cambridge

Aberdeen

Appointments :

their automatic right to sit in the Lords, this would become the posi-

tion.
It would also be a new departure for any person or body apart from the Prime Miniter to have the right to make recommendations direct to the Crown. The process envisaged by the general synod would give the church this right, for the link with the Crown is one part of the constitutional tangle called establishment that the church is not william to form. willing to forgo.

Those difficulties would fall

Those difficulties would fall away if the church was willing to settle for a compromise, for instance one in which the Prime Minister agreed always to recommend to the Crown what the church wanted him to recommend. That is slightly less than the general content wanted him to recommend. eral synod appeared to be asking for, and it is possible that the Prime Minister would be unwilliog to see the ecclesiastical responsihilities of his office transformed

ioto a rubber stamp.

So the position is likely to be that the Government would be willing to give the church what it wanted, provided there were no

House of Lords
Toesday, November 25: Debate on the
economic situation. House adjourned
10:21 pm.
Wednesday, November 27: District

Parliamentary diary

significant implications for the British constitution. The Courch of Eogland atarts these negotiations from the position that constitutional problems are not its proper concern but are for the Government to raise if it wishes. The fear might the church is that a royal commission on the appointment of bishops would become a general review of the establishment.

review of the establishment.

Apart from the sheer vastness of the topic, which would put back any resolution of the question of bishops for some years, there is a widely held conviction that the church would come off worse from such a review. There are many within the church who dislike all the privileges that 20 with the the privileges that go with the establishment, and a secular com-mission would probably dislike

them even more.

If major constitutional matters If major constitutional matters are deemed to be at stake in these court-b-state negotiations, it may be telt that private talks between court leaders and one or two government ministers are an inadequate forum for ventilating them. However the negotiations are conducted, some way will obviously have to be found of letting church and state know what their representatives are talking about, what compromises are heing made and why.

Parliamentary notices

economic sinsition. Hoose adjourned 10.21 pm.
Wednesday, November 27: Distruct Courts, Scoolend: 2011 read according. Scoolend: 2011 read according. Scoolend: 2011 read according. Mothern Ireland: Pensions increase: Northern Ireland: Pensions of Emergency: Northern Ireland: Drders of Emergency: Northern Ireland: Drders of Emergency: Northern Ireland: Northern Ireland: Pensions of Emergency: Northern 19: National This are fill read that time and received Rosal Assent. Settine Law Relians adjourned: 10: November 29: Precention of Priday. November 29: Precention of Priday. November 29: Precention of Priday. November 29: Precention all peased all elages and received Rosal Assent. House adjourned 9.50 am. House of Lords Today et 3.50: Social Security Amendment Bill, second realto, Motions un Social Security (Benefit) (Married Social Security Contributions, Amendment (No 2), and Social Security Contributions, (Married Women and Il'dows Special Procisions; Amendment Regulations, 230: Arbitration Bill, Tomorrow at 2.30: Arbitration Bill, Regulations.
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Thursday at 5.00. Stological Standards
Stoland: Ell. committee also
Notion on Fuel and Electricity (Conrol: Act 1:53 (Continuance) Order.

House of Commons Emirgency Propinions of Conder. Order. Priday at 11.00: Private members' mclions on rating agricus on small businesses and North Sea oil.

political animosities aside to join in a cordial tribute to this great

rigorous bealth—took his seat be-side Mr Eden in the House of Com-mons when Dr Edith Summerskill riss answering questions, and be was warmly cheered on his entry.

Mr Churchill-who is again in

Englishman.

retrorant peased and received Rojal Assent. House of Commons Monday. November 23: Statements on murders in Narthern Ireland, measures 10 combai ferrorism, and British Alrways VCOuld Marchen Local Rovern Combail Foreign and British Alrways VCOuld Marchen Local Rovern Combail Foreign and British Alrways VCOuld Marchen Local Rovern Combails of Marchen Marchen Combails of Marchen Marchen Combails of Marchen Combails of Marchen Local Rovern Advanced By 258 Alver Wear Barrage Bill read Second Ilma. Statement on Channel Thanel. Social Security Marchen Marchen Marchen Local Rovern Marchen Combails of Marchen Local Rovern Marchen Local Rovern Marchen Local Rovern Marchen Local Rovern Marchen Local Lotteries all. Abortion Combains on Marchen Local Lotteries all. Abortion Combains and Rovern Marchen Licensing Including and Disabled People Bill. Mobile Homes All. Combails Code and Services Amendment Bill. Librants in Person (Amendment Bill. Librants in Person (Costs) Bill, Television Licensing Including and Disabled People Bill. Mobile Homes All. Rovern Marchen Code Services Amendment Amendment Research Code Services Amendment Bill. Education (Parents Charter Bill. Farriers Resisterials Bill. Concer Screening (Education Research) Bill. Community Planning (Amendment) Bill. Engres Resisterials Bill. Community Planning (Amendment) Bill. Education (Parents Charter Bill. Farriers Resisterials Bill. Town and County Planning (Amendment) Bill. Education (Parents Charter) Bill. Farriers Resisterials Bill. Community Planning (Amendment) Bill. Education (Parents Charter) Bill Foreign Conditions Mother Local Bill Residence (Proceedings in Other Jurisdictions) all Residence (Proceedings Bill. Town and County Planning (Amendment) Bill. Education (Parents Charter) Bill Residence (Proceedings Bill. Community Bill. Bil 25 years ago

Royal Air Force
GRDUP CAPTAINS: P. B., G. Clark
10 MDII (Gentral Staffs). Dec 6: E. P.
Bennall as Cdr. Sallan of Oman's Air
Force. Oec 6: P. S. Collins as OC
RAF Uniteralor. Bec 6.
WINC COMMANDERS I with acts
rank of Gp Caoli A. G. L. Hutchton
as Stn.-Cdr and Commat OCTL. RAF
Henlow. D. C. 6: A. G. Skingeley to
RAF Larbruch. Dec 6.
WING COMMANDERS: G. S. Bowden
to RAF Locking as OC Basic Studies
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RUDD. Oec 2: C. F. H. Helder to RAF
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Hammond to REU Henlow as OC End
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RAF Cermany as Nech Eng 2. Dec 2:
F. A. Sowner to Exchange Aopt in
RAAF Acabralla, Oec 6.
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of Wg Car): J. Ward in NQ Strike
Command as Mech Eng (Trans). Dec 2 From The Times of Thursday, December 1, 1949

Churchill birthday From Our Parliamentary Correspondent

Mr Churchill was 7S yesterday, and he received messages of greeting oo his birthday from all parts of the world. In the House of Commons be was congratulated in felicitous terms by the Prime Minister, and for a couple of minutes members of all parties laid

Dinners

Appointments:
Dr J. C. Laidlaw has been appointed to the chair of French from Jannary 1, 1975.
Lacturers: Aratomy, D. S. Arown, 185c, from April 1, 1975. Instituto for the study of aparsety populated areas, J. B. Sewal, 188c, MSc., from January 1, 1975.
Research fellows: Aericultural economics, G. van Ollis, wageningen University, The Netherlands, from January 15, 1977.; Alochemistry, Mrs M. A. L. Naivin, 185c, PhO, from October 11; Religious studies, Mrs J. Murray, 8A, MA, PhD, from December 1. HM Government Mr William Ross, Secretary of State for Scotland, and Mrs Ross were hosts on Friday night at a dinner at Edinburgh Castle on the occasion of the visit to Scotland of an Inter-Parliamentary Union delegation from Czechoslovakia.

Anglo-Indonesian Society The annual dinner of the Anglo-Indonesian Society was held at the

Stirling
Professor R. P. Bett, FR5, has been elected to the council of the Royal
Society of Edinburgh.

The guest of bonour was Sir John
Llewellyn. Others present inCluded:

The Royal Commission for the
Exhibition of 1851 lave awarded Dr
Mchae work a seminated symbosis to
the department of chamistry.

Royal Overseas League on Financy.

The guest of bonour was Sir John
Llewellyn. Others present inCluded:

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Right Commissioner for Melaysis with
the department of chamistry.

there specially for the occasion—rose to offer formal congratula-St Edward's School Society The annual Oxford dinner

St Edward's School Society was held oo Saturday at the Randolph Hotel, Mr E. A. G. Evans, was in the chair. Strafford Club

The Strafford Club met for dinner on Saturday at Peterhouse, Cam-bridge. The president, Lord William Taylour, was in the chair and the guest of honour was Mr Desmond Fennell, QC.

The annual dinner of the British section of the Zuoz College (
Boys' Association was held
Saturday at Brown's Hotel.
Sadru Tullar was in the chair.

### Science Report

# Atmosphere: Laser wind studies

Winchester, Somerset, and Bea-trice Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. E. Bevan, of The Croft, Thornton Hough, Wirral. A new method of measuring wind speeds in the upper atmosphere at night is based on the use of laser beams hounced off man-made reflecting choods moving with the air. The laser device, which can be used to follow the behaviour of winds several hundred kilometres up in the atmosphere, was developed at the Appleton Laboratory, in Slough, by Dr D. Rees (who is affiliated to University College London) and Dr M. L. W. Sand-ford. It is mounted on a traffer and bas been used to track sodium cloud broad to traffer and driven by air movements over Nor-The ongagement is announced between Roy, son of Mr and Mrs A. R. Shuttleworth, of Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, and Claire, daughter of Mrs R. Fitzwalter Read and stepdaughter of Mr R. Fitzwalter Read, of Marlow, Buckinghamshire. driven by air movements over Nor-

diven by air inoverses of the service.

In the daytime, winds in those parts of the aimosphere can be adequately tracked by looking at sunlight re-emitted from artificial clouds of, for example, barlum or aluminium oxide. At night, however, tuminous clouds of chemicals like trimethyl aluminium have to be used, and the method works only up to about 150km. Laser tracking then comes into its own.

Grocers echo the views of militant farmers

Agriculture

Hugh Clayton

stock farmers who were forced to

sell at a loss before Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, secured his variable preming from Brussels and adopted intervention

for the winter.

Mr T. Myrrdin Evans, president, said the Brussels beef agreement was like "sending on the lifeboat after most of the wrecked

ship's crew bave drowned. It is no consolation for those producers who have sold fat cattle for half their worth".

their worth ".

The publicity machine of the Nadonal Farmers' Union processed a final message before going into purdah during preliminary talks about the price review. It said that the union had formally abandoned its pre-Brussels claim for immediate compensation for livestock producers but would press for an increase in agricultural returns next year that " would take full account of those losses".

Although the docks at which

is pointing the laser beam at a cloud, the signal from the photo-multiplier rises by a factor of ten or so, making it easy to find the Dr Rees and Dr Sandford report

or kees and by Sandrou report some of the results they obtained doring flights of four Petral rockets and one Skylark from the rocket range at Andenes, Norway, in October and November last year. One flight took place during a storm in the upper atmosphere associated with auroral effects, and

cattle reached Britain from the Irish Republic were no longer picketed, the militants were soil snappling at the NFU's beels. Mr Albany Snape, of Farmers' Action 74, said that the organization held a meeting at Stoneleigh, at which the possibility of "a stoppage of food" was considered if the United Kingdom did not out through EEC transitional arrangements for agricultural producers at the review early next year.

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Existing bigh rates were used as an excuse by industries, including those who supplied agricultural those

at the review early next year.

"Political thinking now is that the small farmer must go and give way to the big omfit", Mr Snape said. "The small family farmer is the finest insurance this country could have for the continuity of food production." Farmers' Action wanted low interest rates for farmers.

Existing bigh rates were used as

cattle reached Britain from the

sodium at an attitude of 130km. It continued to do so np to its max-lmum height of 175km and to some

Imum height of 175km and to some extent down to the 160km level.

The Appleton Laboratory equipment was about 170km away from the rocket range, at Skibotn, and Dr Rees and Dr Sandford were able to build up an accurate profile of wind speeds hetween altitudes of about 130 and 175km.

They found the winds to be chiefly hetween east and south and gusting up to about SOKkm, which they say is probably consistent with theoretical pictures of what goes on during auroral storms at those aktitudes. They say that there is no reason why the measurements sbould not he extended ro altitudes of 300km and more. of 300km and more By Nature-Times News Service.

Source: (252, 291). Nature, November 22

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straint on recovery of costs through

the productivity deduction wharehy a proportion of wage increases has

a proportion of wage increases has
to be absorbed.

The Irish cattle issue is not
quite dead. The claim by tha
Farmers' Union of Wales that
export statistics from the Irish
Livestock and Meat Board were
"selective, if not misleading",
received a tart reply from the
board, which accused it of issuing
"misleading statemeots".

"misleading statements".

The union accused the board of Ignoring exports from the Republic of Ireland to Northern Ireland, many of which were passed on to

Britain. The hoard replied that exports to Britain were at only half of the 1971 level while those to Northern Ireland showed an ever-declining gap hetween exports and imports. The board predicted a Northern Ireland imports extended.

a Northern Ireland import total of 20,000 bead above exports this year, the same gap as last year but far smaller than in 1971 and

1972.
Farming award: The Duke ni Northumberland has succeeded Dr G. D. H. Bell as holder of the

Dr G. D. H. Sell as noider of the Massey-Ferguson award for proven practical and outstanding contributions to the advancement of agriculture. The citation lays most emphasis on his work

as chairman of the Inquiry on Foot and Mouth Disease 1968-69.

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former vice-president and man-managing aging director of de Havilland business. Aircraft of Canada, Ltd, died on November ?, aged 80. He re-tired in 1966 after nearly 30 years with the company hut retained a seat on the board until 1971, when he severed his last official ties with the company.

OBITUARY

During these years he guided de Havilland from a small aircraft assembly operation to an international leader in STOL (short takeoff and landing) aircraft design and production. He was awarded the McKee Trophy for meritorious service in the advancement of Canadian aviation in 1951 and the McCurdy Medal for his contribution to aviation in Canada in 1960, and was again awarded the McKee Trophy in 1965.

In 1971 he was awarded the Canada Medal. Io April. 1974, hy Order-in-Council, the federal Government presented him with a lifetime pilot licence and in July he was elected to the Canadian Aviation Hall of Fame.

Garratt hegan his flying career as a student pilot at Curtiss Aviation School, Toronto, in 1918, Like many enthusiastic young Canadians anxious to gat into the air war over Europe. he had to learn to fly hefore he could juin the allied forces. In 1916 he joined the Royal Flying Corps, served as a fighter pilot on the Western Front and was awarded the AFC. For the next 50 years he continued to fly.

In 1920 be flew as a pilot

with Bishop Barker Airplanes on "harnstorming" tours, and in 1921 served as an Air Force instructor at Camp Borden. By 1928, when de Havilland began

MR PHILIP C. GARRATT Services to Canadian aviation

Mr Philip Clarke Garrant, its Canadian operation, he commer vice-president and man managing his own cher

However, he quickly say opportunity to renew his live for flying and offered services on a part-time has de Havilland to test and their aircraft. In 1936, f. won out and he ended his husiness to become man; director of de Havil Canada. In 1946, after the peak

duction years of the Ser. World War, he initiated first "all Canadian" dethe highly successful D Chipmunk trainer. This wa lowed by what is perhaps best known of all de Havi Canada aircraft, the D Beaver. The Beaver, desi for operation in the Can; North, was the first of a s of five successful STOL air which have earned for de I land a worldwide reputation manufacturers of STOL air.
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lioer, de Havilland's latest The growth and success i Havilland Canada was foundly influenced by Gar. devotion to aviation, the sight and skill of this Canadian and the nnique in which he attracted staunch loyalty and affe of the people who worked

MR HAROLDSON L. HUNT

Mr Haroldson Lafayette dishwasher. Although be a Hunt, the oil magnate, who has died in Dallas, Texas, was one that his other enterprises, of the feo richest men in the world. He was 85.

A virulent rightwinger, health food and yoga addict, his tastes were simple by the standards of the typical tycoon, owning no private jet or yacht and carrying his lunch ro work with him in a brown paper bag.

After leaving school at the age of ten, Hunt huilt up a personal fortune estimated at about \$5,000m (about £2,200m). making him perhaps one of the three richest meo in the United States. He was one of the original Texas "wildcatters", or freelance oil prospectors in the oil boom days of the early part of this century, and later invested widely. He shunned publicity and liked to think of himself as a man of the people. Huot started life as a farm

cattle ranches to electro canned chickens, asphalt roses hrought him in money. Unlike Carnegie, R. feller, Ford and the rest, he not spend his money on ph thropy.

"I'm more interested io accumulation of properties accumulation of properties in their liquidation and d bution," he once said, did he justify his duty to community? "By furnis gaioful employment. I think is one of the most important of the control of the most important of the control of the most important of the control of t things anyone can do."

Hunt reckoned he could made three or more time much if he had not devote much of his time to poli education. His Lifeline Fo ation sponsored a c 15-minute programme over radio stations and brought a newsletter reflecting views of the extreme right boy in Illinois, and was success-ively a hobo, lumberjack and in American politics.

Baer and, although the

first title defence fight in

hitions ever seen by a be weight champion, put Louis down in the first re before he was himself knot out in the eighth. The Cin

1937, was against the tale ... Joe Louis. Braddock gave of the most courageous t

### MR JAMES J. BRADDOCK

Neil Allen, Our Boxing Corres- victories he was marched pondent, writes:

Mr Driherg, who was on the point of asking a supplementary question, at once adapted it to improduce a congratulatory reference to Mr Churchiil. When questions were over, the Prime Minister—who was James J. Braddock, the former world heavyweight boxing champion, who has died in North Bergen, New Jersey, was the hero of one of those rare.

Induckly for Braddock, the former world heavyweight boxing the title, he succeeded earned himself the nick nan "Cinderella Man".

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living in the ring. Braddock, who was born on December 6, 1905, won the world title hy outpointing Max Baer in Juoe, 1935. Yet, a year before, he was making such a failure of his constant in the such as the failure of his career which included an unsuccessful chal-lenge in 1929 for Tommy Loughran's light-heavyweight title, that he was forced to apply for public relief as an unemployed citizen.

In June, 1934, Braddock was hrought in as a late substitute against a rated opponent named Corn Griffin, and upset the odds with a second-round knockout. After two more

ella Man, whose 12-year presional career embraced 84 h of which he lost 19, for only once more, a points vic over Britain's Tommy Fare But the days of poverty

happily over now for, by secret contract arranged before his only title defe Braddock and his manager, Gould, gained a sizable cur all Louis's purses for the

### LORD MALISE GRAHAM

Brigadier Lord Douglas Malise Graham, CB, DSO, MC, who has died, aged 91, was the aecond soo of the fifth Duke of Montrose. He was educated at Cheltenbam and Woolwich, and was commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1901.

In 1914 he hecame ADC to Major-General Sir Charles Pergusson, commanding the 5th Division at The Curragh, and was with him throughout the trying period of the "Curragh Incident", and during the Mons retreat and the Battle of Le Cateau. In 1916

when he retired.

he became hrigade major; from 1934 to 1936 he was Comman-dam of the School of Artillety,

In 1940, as a fluent Fre speaker, he was made Milin Attaché in Paris, and was des involved in the transport of nvolved in the tragedy of French collapse. He reverted retired pay in 1945, settl first in Oxfordshire, then Lochnell in Argyll, and first in Hampshire.

Lord Malise was endos with striking good looks an fine singing voice, and had rare capacity for friendsh but he was primarily a dedica soldier, who was unfortun not to attain higher rank. married in 1918 Rach Holland, daughter of the seco Lord Knutsford, and is surviby her and two sons.



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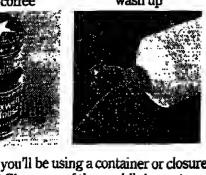
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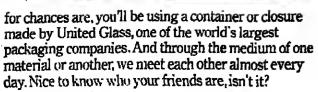
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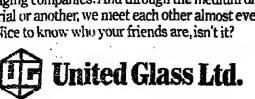




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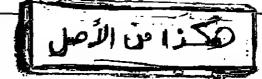
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# مكذا من الأصل THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**





Saudi hint of

takeover' by

Bahrain, Dec 1.—The final stages of the oil mioisters' con-

terence here were over-shadowed today by a Saudi

Aralvan statement that Arabs might have full ownership of their oil at the eod of this year.

The remark came in the middle of an unscripted apaech by Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani,

the Saudi minister, at a cere-

year's end

'full oil

# Composite Bill on nationalization likely but NEB is Benn priority

Nationalization of the air-aft, shiphuilding, ship repairmarine engine induses is likely to be effected rely next year by means of a men he wants to run the NEB, ingle Bill rather than separate which is expected to be given sees of legislation. This is funds of around £300m and a small staff. diamentary opposition as

Anthony Wedgwood Secretary of State for mustry, will, however, be conintuity, wan, nowever, be con-ministry his attention for the me being on publishing a w Industry Bill before the minious recess for Christmas, his will consolidate the exist-g Industry Act, and contain auses for establishing the ational Enterprise Board and ational construction and the transferred and t

Department of Inintentioos poeted to be outlined by Mr enn at Wednesdays' post-Bud-at meeting of the National conomic Development Coun-

The Prime Minister has ecided not to act as chairman, originally expected, and this ill enable the Chancellor to ress that the proposals for pannelling more institutional mids into industry and other adget measures should not stupt the NEB's statutory

Both Mr Healey and Mr enn are apparently agreed, ter recent Cabinet discus-ins, that Labour's industrial likey can be made more reptable to the business com-unity by first redirecting inds through Finance For Inistry (at no cost to public penditure) to companies, penditure) to companies, aving problems of promoting ructural reforms to the NEB. The pressure on industry to an planning agreements— der which private industry il provide information about manpower and ter policies in return for aranteed incentives or spe-d financial assistance is

an agreement are not going to be used during the early life of the legislation. In the next few weeks, Mr Benn will ha consulting Cabi-net colleagues on the kind of

small staff.

They will have a standary objective of making a profit, and the opening assets include present state investments in a number of concerns such as International Computers and Kearney Trecker & Marwin.

It is hoped to have the NER.

It is hoped to have the NEB established early in the new year, hy which time the drafting of the second Bill for takover various shipbuilding aircraft companies will

The objective is publication of the enabling legislation by April. During the interim, the two industries will bave new opportunities to make represectations, but only over how nationalization is to be effected. Mr Bean's structural ideas

for the new national shiphuildthe new national sniphilidation and aircraft corporations—
there could even he a single undertaking to simplify management and union representation—are expected to provide a model for reform of other nationalized industries.

He is already taking a deep look at the Post Office Corporation, whose new chairman has to he named hefore too

For its part, the CBI remains hostile to the Government's industrial policies. The Chancellor and Mr Benn can expect to face renewed criticisms at this week's Neddy council meeting.

Employers say the Budget measures and changes to the price code do not go far enough to help profitability and investment. In particular they want the Government and the trade unions to take a new look at the social contract to help employers in dealing with awkward wage demands.

Industrialists regard this as a vital next step in restoring their confidence. Indeed some of their objections to planning agreements and limited

rthancial assistance—is of their objections to planning period to come from their rk forces, rather than nitehall.

Mr Benn will he at pains to ress that teserve powers, to contained in the new longery Bill and which could mpel companies to negotiate of their objections to planning agreements and limited antionalization might be amended if, in the words of Mr Ralph Bateman, CBI president, there could he a more equal hase of power and responsibility in deciding economic priorities.

# lack of liaison hinders US lecisions on energy policy

om Frank Vogl ashington, Nov 29 President Ford will not he ady to announce his long pected national energy proamme until mid-January at e earliest, according to senior ministration officials.

The serious delay is heing ributed widely to the Presiat's preoccupation with other uters and to a high level ternal administration struggle er who should have respon-zility for the formulation of

ergy policies. recently announced ited States international ergy policy initiatives were parently worked out almost tirely by the Department of the sources said. Surprisingly, ither the Department of the easury or the Federal Energy internation. before the announcement free hand to for these initiatives by Dr Henry energy policies.

Department of Industry Business Statistics Office.

Kissinger, the Secretary of State, on November 14. President Ford has established a National Energy Board, whose chairman is Mr Rogers Morton, the Secretary of the Interior. But this organization has been left out of most discussions on international policies by the

State Department.
The President said on October 8 that Mr Morton "will be over-8 that Mr Morton "will be over-all boss of our national energy programme", but it would appear that the President neither discussed the interna-tional policies being worked out by Dr Kissinger with Mr Morton, nor did he consider it necessary to seek advice from him on who should replace Mr lobn Sawhill as head of the lobn Sawhill as head of the

Dr Kissinger appears to have emerged from the administra-tive struggles with virtually a free hand to formulate foreign

### **BSC** fears intervention threat to 10-year plan

A major battle between the Government and the British Steel Corporation is looming over the state steel undertaking's scheduled plant closure programme and its desire to implement substantial price in-creases at the beginning of next year.

Both sides have been shadow boxing to a large extent over the closure review ordered early this year by Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secratary of State for Industry. But it is clear that the corporation's 10-year development plan is now heing seriously threatened, although Lord Beswick, Minister of State for Industry, who is carrying out the closure review, has heen at pains to assert otherwise.

The BSC has always maintained that closure of old and unecocomic units forms an integral part of its development strategy. This is geared to the production of steel from around balf a dozen main centres and involves the shed-ding of ahout 40,000 workers.

Without the closures, the investment programme now costed at more than £4.000m against the original £3,000mwould not make sense, the BSC has argued.

Lord Beswick has been meticulous in his study of the indi-vidual plant closure cases, consulting extensively with local authorities and trade unions. Progress of the review was, however, disrupted for six weeks by the Octobar General

Within Whitehall there appears to be a feeling that it would be wise to produce an in-Within Whitehall terim report covering the closures planoed to take place in England and Wales, while the Scottish closures should be treated in a separate report. Such a plan is opposed by the BSC.

But the Scottish redundancies are the most sensitive. Although the number expected is likely to be less than the 6,000 originally envisaged, any closures at all are being fiercely opposed by the Scottish

Last week the disquiet was expressed in a motion submitted in Parliament calling on Mr Benn to refuse the closure of Scottish plants until alterna-This motion; was subsequently amended by the Scottish Nationalist MPs, who do not accept the inevitability of the closures implicit in the motion.

Meanwhile the issue of prices has still to be resolved. BSC maintains that the bigher charges are vital if the corporation is to succeed in meeting its targets for return on capital over the next few years, particu-larly in view of the huge increase in costs experienced since March last year.

# 20 companies in CBI study

By Our Industrial Editor

About 20 companies have agreed to provide detailed information and documentation for a Confederation of British Industry study of the develop-ment of corporate industrial

relations. One of the aims is to establish how present policies came about and the lessons learned. It is likely that a manual hased un research results will even-tually be issued to industry at

large. Besides the specific help of the selected companies, many others will he asked to indicate their practice and views. ous cos Meanwhile, the CBI is con-states.

tinuing to voice its strong objections to the Government's Employment Protection Bill. A members' bulletin sent out yesterday objects to what is described as one-sided legisla-tion, unfairly hiased in favour

of trade unions.

"Despite the assertions of Ministers that there should be no legal restrictions on free collective bargaining legal obli-gations are now to be imposed on employers in areas which have traditionally been subject to negotiation, or which would more appropriately be dealt with in codes of practice. Also many of the proposals bare serious cost implications", the CBI

# ECGD premiums to be raised soon

against defaulting overseas huyers. A rise in premiums of the Export Credits Guarantee Department, which underwrites about 36 per cent of all Britiso exports, is expected to he announced in the next few

In a separate move, the Government-run ECGD will seek powers from Parliament later this waek to repay with the help of the Exchequer the £85m it owes the clearing banks under the scheme for providing cheap credit to ex-porters. There is at present no provision under its constitution for rapaying this deht which has haen mounting up over two

A hint that premiums for ex-port credit insurance would shortly he increased was given at the end of last week by Mr Robert Fell, who heads the department. He said at an export conference that the ECGD faced both rising costs and increased claims. The cost of cover regions appears commer. cover against normal commercial risks is expected to rise from 25p per £100 worth of

Firth Brown

Government

Future control of Johnson Firth Brown, the Sheffield steel and wire makar, after bid approaches from both the public and private sectors of the industry, now seems to be in the hands of the Government.

The British Steel Corporation is believed to have made a formal offer worth around

Group for the key Jessel Securities stake of 34.3 per cent in JFB
is believed to be seeking
monopoly clearance. Laird,

which has already arranged fin-

ance for its offer, owns Patent Shaft Steel Works, a major

United Kingdom steel producer. Another interested party is be-lieved to be Dunford & Elliott,

which already holds 6} per cent

Steel industry sources were in agreement yesterday that the Government's view would prove

paramount. The European Steel Commission, while clearly in-

volved, was thought unlikely to veto a move by either Eritish Steel or the United Kingdom

private steel sector.

The Government would have to judge its decision in the light of possible monopoly implications, as well as of public versus private ownership policies.

job security, have joined with the JFB board in saying that any unwelcome bid particularly from

BSC would be resisted. The view of the trade unions was a crucial

factor in deciding the outcome

of the struggle for Geo Kent.

of Firth Brown.

Future of

rests with

By Melvyn Westlake goods insured, to about 27p or British exporters will soon have to pay more for insuring husiness climate hecoming increasingly difficult there was a three-fold jump in 1973-74 in the number of claims by exporters unable to extract payment from overseas buyers.

As trading conditions have deteriorated still further since last spring, the number of claims is likely to show a steeper rise. The underwriting

operation for short-term export credits has been unprofitable for a considerabla time, but premiums have been beld steady for many years. Mr Fell, who laaves the ECGD at the end of the year to hecome chief executive of The Sinck Exchange, reports a surge in demand for export credit insurance in recent months. This partly reflected the continuing rise in the value of exports, but was probably also attributable to e growing uncertainty in the husiness climate throughout the world.

largely because of inflation.
As a result, individual huyers as well as whole nations are now more risky prospects. The department is obliged to pay its way, taking one year

By Hugh Clayton

that use white sugar.

Category One.

Food processors who

sugar have protested to the Government about a concession

in price controls that has been

awarded to cane end beet rafioers but not to companies

Refiners were enabled by an

Order laid down by Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary for

Prices and Consumer Protec-tion, to impose their last price rises immediately, without

enduring the 28-day scrutiny by the Price Commission that is imposed on all of the other 150

manufacturing companies in

Mr Tim Fortescue, secretary-geoeral of the Food and Drink Industries Council, said:

Industries Council, said:
"Refiners have been allowed to dodge the Price Commission, but users have not." He

added that a protest had been made to the Govarnment by the sugar users' group in the

This includes the Cake and

Biscuit Alliance, the Cocoa, Checolate and Confectionery Alliance and the Food Manu-facturers' Federation, which covers all other main users in.

cluding those who make soft drinks.

tiocers together use more than

NatWest head

reiterates denial

of Sindona loss

In an uncharacteristic tebuttal

of stock market rumours, Sir

John Prideaux, chairman of

National Westminster Bank, has

reitetated that the bank has no

outstanding liabilities or losses

in relation to the Sindona group

of banks or from other foreign

In a statement at the weekend

he said that after a detailed investigation, International Westminster Bank was satisfied that the alleged letter sent to a Sindona bank authorizing foreign

exchange transactions was "false". Supporting documents

have been sent to the Milan

Sir John also denied that the

hank had received support from the Bank of England and

asserted that no discussions had been held about the possibility

exchange operations.

authorities.

By Christopber Wilkins

More than half of the cost

Sugar users protest

at price rise Order

to he men by increased pre-minus. However, this is bound to disappoint exporters who are finding that they need more than ever to insure egainst nonpayment by their foreign customers. In many cases exporters are likely to add the extra cost of insurance premiums to the price of their pro-

But ECGD legislation which, under the sponaorship of the Department of Trade, is sche-duled to come hefore Parliaduled to come hefore Parliament this week will if passed remove a thorny problem that for many months has troubled both the City and Whitehall.

The problem stems back to spring 1972, when changes were made to the scheme which had for a decade helped British exporters compele in world markets hy offering low-cost credit to potential customers. Under the scheme banks undertook to provide cheap, fixed-rate, finprovide cheap, fixed-rate, finaoce for all exports sold on repayment terms of more than

two years.

The difference between the fixed rate and the actual level of money market rates would

in Britaio.
Mr Fortescue said that food

processors were worried that

the Government's policy of concentrating available sup-plies on retailers would con-

Users were not reassured hy

ure enough sugar in present world shortage.

severe supply cut

"We want to ensure that

mismanagement

By Kenneth Owen
Criticisms of mismanagement
in Cable and Wireless, the
government owned international
communications company, which

retailers.

tinue next year.

with another, and the rising be recovered by the banks costs of its operations will have through a complicated refinancbe recovered by the banks ing operation conducted by the ECGD. This would come into effect when fixed-rate export leoding amounted to 18 per cent of the hanks' current account At the time, it was envisaged

that the scheme would be broadly self-halancing. However, an iocrease in the level of ioterest rates and a hig increase in the banks' current accounts has left the ECGD deaply in debt to the banks. With fixed. debt to the banks. With fixed-rate export credits at around 7 to 8 per cent, they were barely over half the true cost of money in the market earlier this year.
(A similar scheme for the ship-building industry has also led to the hanks heing owed many mil-

the names heling owen many millions of pounds.)

The ECGD, which was established in 1919, many years
hefore the export-import hanks
operated to other countries, has
the power to lend, but not to
make direct grants. New legic. make direct grants. New legis-lation would change this. The Exchequer would meet the hill for past and future sums of money owed to the banks as a result of the export credit

# Fiat pact gives unions voice in management From John Earle Rome, Dec 1

An immediate return 10 full-time working, followed however by a 25-day Christmas shutdown, are the most immediate features of a far-reaching agreement concluded between Fiat and the trade unions.

statements from Brussels that the EEC had accepted the principle of making good Bri-tain's sugat deficit in 1975. The Community had not yet The agreement, reached yes terday, gives the unions a say in decision-making processes of sbown that it was able to sec-The management has undertaken to "examine jointly and systematically" with the Metalworkers Federation future pro-If it did not, then judging by government policy in Britain this year, food processors would again face a more duction activities, capital invest-ment programmes in the Mezzo-giorno, reorganization and di-versification initiatives, and the organization and mobility of

sugar users get a fair share of supplies on the grounds that they supply the housewife with sugar as much as the refiners do", Mr Fortescue said. nanpower. Each month the management will give the unions details of the previous month's output and of unsold vehicle stocks (at present more than 300,000). Starting on January 7 it will conduct with the unions quarterly reviews of output and of the implementation of production programmes. EEC ministers had allowed Britain to pay as much as it oeeded above the Community price to ensure that 1,400,000 tons of cane from the developing Commonwealth cane came

there next year. But sugar users in the food industry feared that if the retail price in Britain was subsidized down tion programmes. The unions have accepted the need to reduce working hours if certain targets of unsold vebicles up 10 next April are of jam is accounted for by to the Community price, the sugar, while bakers and confec- price to industrial users might exceeded.

The company has also pledged not to make redundancies throughout 1975 in the labour force of about 200,000. C & W chairman It bas also agreed to keep overrebuts charges of

time working to a minimum.

This agreement for collaboration with the unions is the blueprint wherehy Fiat hopes to survive the world automobile crisis which in Italy has brought a 30 per cent drop in registrations in October compared with those 12 months earlier. The agreement is expected to

bring pressure on Italy's second car manufacturer, stateowned Alfa Romeo, to reach a similar settlement.

# mony here yesterday to inaugurate the construction of a dry-dock complex sponsored by the Organization of Arah Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC). There was a time when Arabs left their oil to be controlled by foreigoers. Shaikh Yamani said, then added: "But by the of their oil will return to them.

eod of this year, God willing, we shall see the end of that era and the Arabs' full ownership No clarification was available of Shaikh Yamani's statement of Shaikh Yamani's statement which, taken literally, would nlean increasing state ownership of foreign operatiog companies from an average of 60 per cent undar existing "participation" accords to the full 100 per cent.

While usually well-informed sources said the statement should ha taken seriously, some observers believed the minister might have intended to referonly to ownership of the indus-

only to ownership of the indus-try in his own country—the

world's biggest oil exporter.
There has been talk before now of a total Saudi takaover of the giant Arabian American Oil Co (Aramco). If Aramco were bought out, observers said, it could give a lead to other Gulf states to boost

their share io the foreign com-panies. All such participation agreements provide for revision at any time. Apart from the dry-dock

Apart from the dry-dock launching ceremony, the OAPEC ministerial council session here was described as routine—to discuss the organization's other joint projects and its budget for 1975.

There was no indication that more controversial items were being added to the agenda and heing added to the agenda, and a second closed-deor meeting last night ended after little

more than two hours. The ministers were expected to finish their work this morning. Some plan to fly home in the afternoon.—Reuter.
Ralph Izzard writes from Bahrain: OAPEC oil ministers completed their thirteenth routioe meeting here today with no hig surprises for coosumer

hig surprises for coosumer countries.

A brief communique issued late this afternoon stated that apart from approving the secretariat's budget for next year, the meeting had agreed on dis-tribution of the capital shares of the organization's Arab Petroleum Investment Company, and that the company would come into being as soon as its agreement was ratified

hy member states.

Mr Ahdul Rahman al-Artiqi,
OAPEC's secretary-geoeral,
later stated that ratification
could not be expected before

the next meeting, due to be held in Kuwaii next May.

The capital shares had heen oversubscribed, however, and a minimum of 3 per cent and a maximum of 20 per ceot had heen set.

# The current issue refers to complaints by "senior executives?" of weak management, overstaffing and the treatment of certain staff by the company's head office; and of inadequate control over the company by the Treasury, as pany by the Treasury, as principal shareholder. Mr Lillicrap said yesterday: "I frankly don't helieve that Social Audit has been approached by anyone that I would regard as a senior executive." The journal also publishes a

The journal also publishes a table showing losses totalling £3.9m (including almost £2.5m for Coltronics) incurred by Cable and Wireless subsidiaries over the past four years.

Mr Lillicrap said that the losses should be considered in the considered in the consideration.

relation to Cable and Wireless's overall profits for the same period of herween £35m and £40m.

Lockheed rejects offer Lockheed disclosed in Wash

ington at the weekend that it had turned down a \$100m (nearly £44m) offer which would have given a controlling share in the company to Arab investors. The statement followed reports in the Washington Post of an offer on behalf of a number of Persian Gulf investors, made last spring.

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Lending rate  $11\frac{1}{2}$  pc
The Bank of England's minimum lending rate will be held at 11! per cent this week. The following are the results of Friday's Treasury Bill Tender:

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# Declining car sales pose threat of more cutbacks and redundancies

Another round of difficult

abour problems in the motor industry, which will today have thousands of workers again idle because of strikes and lay-offs, is taking place against a hack-ground of mounting concern about employment prospects in

There are increasingly strong grounds for believing that redundancies to date, like those announced among white collar workers at Chrysler UK last week, may be only an indication that some bigger cut-backs on the lines of those being experienced in the United States and European car centres could be European car centres could be on the way here.

A combination of trends all point to an extremely difficult period ahead for the industry. The home market for new cars is falling fast and some of the industry's forecasters believe that it will be down from around 1.7 million to about one million next year.

Foreign penetration of this dwindling market has increased and is increasing. Overseas manufacturers have large stocks of unsold cars, with a sizable proportion of them already in showrooms in this country. They are only too anxious to snap up the orders that British plants fail to meet, often through disputes and production delays on the models most in demand hecause of increased petrol prices.

It is in the "volume" production car plants that the main problems exist. The experience in Chrysler—probably the most vulnerable of the "hig four" car makers in Britain—is an illustration of the trend. The white-collar redundancies

just announced are symptomatic of a much more deeply rooted malaise. Before the two big strikes in Coventry last year, which cost Chrysler more than £40m in lost output, the Ryton car assembly plant was produc-ing the company's top selling Avenger range at the rate of 3,500 a week. By early this year the output

had been reduced to 2,900, and last month this was cut again to 2,600. Now Chrysler says that hy January output at Ryton will be down to 2,200, which means that in some 18 months planned production will have been reduced by more than a third. Chrysler bas been obliged to reduce its payroll of staff employees to match this cut in output, initially by a policy of

not replacing personnel who have left the company and now by direct redundancies number-ing some 700 throughout the British operation, including 400 in the Midlands. British Levland's biggest problem for the past year or two has been that largely because of disputes in its own plants and in those of its com-ponents auppliers it has failed to achieve production figures to

There are clear signs that this is no longer the case although it still cannot produce ecough of the right cars to mae the changed market conditions.

Although British Leyland retains the higgest share of the

home market, having lost it hriefly to Ford at one period during this year, it bas suffered hadly from foreign competition and now finds exporting more difficult. British Leyland is faced with another major labour dispute.
All Triumpb car production has heen halted and about 9,000 workers are idle because of a strike hy 1,000 assembly track workers in Coventry.

Already Triumpb has lost

Already Triumph has lost more than £10m worth uf car production over the past three weeks. In the present climate a hig proportion of these sales will never be recovered.

David Young writes: The four chief British motor manufacturers are expected to submit new applications to the Price Commission, which if approved will increase the cost of nev cars by around 10 per cent.

British Leyland is likely to
he the first of the four to submut an application with Ford, Chrysler and Vauxhall accking

similar rises. The reasons for the applica-tions, which if submitted before the and of this year will he the fourth series in a 12-month period, are rising labour and raw material costs.

# are published in the current issue of Social Audit were re-butted yesterday by Mr Harry Lillicrap, chairman of the com-

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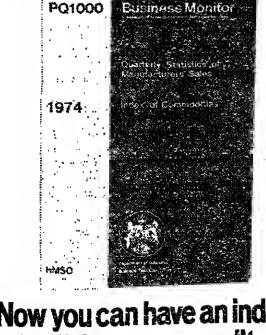
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road

# Heart and head must work together Tramps may

Twelve pages of joh advertisements for managers, senior painful. Managers have been executives, professional and technical specialists appeared in ferment and pain, whilst Trade a recent issue of The Sunday Times. More than 200 jobs were displayed with salaries from £3,000 to over £10,000.

Potential candidates were wooed with descriptions of exotic equipment that they would be designing, huilding, operating scrvicing or selling. Successful job seekers are required to possess high level pro-fessional or technical qualifica-tions or specialized technological expertise.

Technology is all; not une advertisement for a manager specifies the oeed for personal qualities which will win the respect and enthusiastic conperation of those be will be managing. One advertisement states that in business loday there is no room for the indi-

Most commentators agree that we have a crisis of confidence and morale within industry with fewer and fewer employees identifying themselves with the aims of their companies.

This age of meriocracy has apparently produced technocrats well qualified to deal with the machinery of technical change, but not leaders in management jobs with the qualities necessary to win the cooperation, the good will and the following of people on the shop floor working in the same enterprise.

The man part of management

has been raplaced with a computer symbol, at the cost of lack of understanding and empathy hetween the shop fluor worker and the management

problem sources. Technical sophistication has heen developed but not the capacity for human inspiration. In some recent situations managers appear to have abdicated any leadership role and have left this vital function entirely to Trade Union officials.

These officials have been demonstrably more successful in influencing and leading their rank and file members than have managers in leading those same members in their role as employees. As a result we may he at the stage where managers'

right to lead is open to question.
The leadership aspect of management has become more difficult in recent years. Traditionally, a function of a leader has been to protect his peonle against the dangers and dis-advantages of disruptive change, but much of modern magage ment is concerned with creating

and implementing change. Change in industry has meant rion, redundancies, transformathe overthrow of previously accepted pecking orders.

ferment and pain, whilst Trade Union officials have often emerged io the traditional leadership role of protector to these situations.

However, the likely conse-quences of industrial change are well researched and recorded, pruhable reactions of a workfurce can be reasonably anti-

So why has this generation of highly educated managers apparently failed to learo how to inspire its manual and clerical colleagues? Why is there fre-quently a greater gulf between shop floor worker and the graduate manager (whuse own father may be a blue collar. existed between the old autocratic nwner manager and his much emoloyees? less privileged

As a consultant and a former industrial manager. I have had the privilege of working on industrial problems sumetimes with icams of shop floor people and sometimes with groups of

managers.
One of the facts of life I have observed over the years is that managers and work people are increasingly bring-ing different vocabularies 10 the same situation.

trained to think analytically and io abstract, to use words which are designed in convince un the basis of reasoning and intellect.

They have been educated to the ideal of "the rational manager". seeking solutions which are based no careful study and reflection, on analysis and evaluation of facts. They have been taught to communi-People will less formal academic education, however, teud to have a smaller vocahulary. They also use a different vocabulary, based on the dominance of physical activity in their life. They deal with practical, visible, tangible things not symbols or abstract thought, and they expect their leaders to be visible, to be practical and to be available.

Many of the shop floor words are vividly descriptive with emotional overtones rather than with cold analytical meanings. I remember a production operator saying to me "By the time you take the four-letter words out of my job description there'll he —all left.". His description was right. He had a filthy job carried out io appall-ing conditions.

Manual workers distrust argu-

Unhappy past experience of the consequences of cold econ-omic reasoning, often leads them to be more responsive to those calls which are to the emotions of the spirit and the heart than to the ascetic calculations of the brain.

Modern managers must be professionals, they must be num-erate, they must have technical know how, they need the capacity to analyse and the ability to stand back from a situation. But managers who helieve

that it is only necessary to be right with their facts and in their reasoning, have little hope of providing effective leadership to those they seek to manage. They need to understand some of the unquantifiable areas of feelings and sensitivities, of

the shop floor operative and to have the capacity and the will to communicate with the words of their audience and on a level emotion as well as reason. sioo can be as valuable in management as in other spheres. I sense that managers have become afraid of or embarnf leaderably io recent years. We are so concerned about possible accusations of demagogu ery or paternalism that we even avoid the leadership vocabulary words like loyalty, courage The new managers have been sense of responsibility, team spirit, boss or superior. The behavioural scientists are participation, group consensus, counselling and advisory.

A positive case could be made that this sbying away from a leadership vocabulary is simply evidence of the worthwhile growth of industrial democracy and of the abandonment of autocracy; that it reflects greater partiripation in decision making by those affected by decisions.

Uoions, however, have not felt it right to abandon the leadership vocabulary or the leadership rule and whatever else they may be accused of it would not he lack of interest in the furtherance of industrial

democracy.

Trade Union officials are referred to as union leaders; they appeal to the admirable emotive qualities of loyalty, solidarity, sense of comrade-ship and common purpose, and they use the language of their members in communications.

In recent civil service union action against temporary staff, it was union leaders who made the point that permanent staff were more loyal to their employers than the temps.

ments based on abstract analysis; they feel that they will be outsmarted by those who have learned more of the words and more of the rules of that game are providing the cohesive

leadership force which is essential if complex modern industry is not to disintegrate.

Studies and surveys carried out in my consultancy work indicate that most people prefer to work in an organization where there is a sense of pur-pose, where decisions are made promptly, and communicated clearly, where departments act cooperatively, where individuals are made to feel insignificant and are eocouraged to develop and where the company is considered to bave panache and style. In other words, people are hungry for good leadership not resentful of it; they will identify with managers having leadership characteristics.

In the postwar years much of management training empha-sized the need for leadership qualities and analysed those qualities and the ways in which they could be fostered. Some of this was a development from the wartime military coocepts of leadership fostered by teachers of management like Colonel Urwick and Sir William

They did tend to see industrial organization as akin to a military hierarchy with the fore-man filling the role of the senior non commissioned officer, often carrying on his experienced shoulders the young newly commissioned managers whilst they were learning the leadership part of their craft.

The foreman's role has been sadly neutered by the adveor of functional specialists and high speed information systems. This gap which has been created in first line supervision has not been filled by the new generation of managers because they have not assimilated the ways and the folklore, the language and the values of the shop floor.

The characteristics empha sized by the post war management leaders may sound old fashioned today. They include integrity, and moral courage, team spirit and loyalty and will-power; persuasiveness by example and by physical presence at the scane of action

sence at the scene of actioo. But however old fashioned these virtues seem, we may need to re-emphasize their importance to addition to numerate technological specialism to help restore truss and confidence be tween managers and managed in industry. Both bearts and beads are necessary for co-operative industrial efficiency as they are for individual life.

W. F. Younger

Managing Director of HAY-MSL Management Consultants and a past Vice-President of Institute of Personnel

While other American robacco corporations pour into Europe and seek expansion in other world markets Brown & Williamson, a main profit centre for its parent British-American Tobacco, is busily preparing to shake things up in the huge United States market Under test-marketing at the moment is its first new cigarette brand for many years, and over the coming weeks will come the critical decision on whether to go national or not.

to success

There has been a rash of new brands in the American tohacco market, hut, when Brown & Williamson noted for hasty decisions) moves, other take notice. The Kensucky stable which bred the hig selling Konl, Viceroy and Belair cigarettes has a track record that no executive wishes to blot with an expensive mistake.

Product line extensions and completely new hrands are frequently suggested, but marketing men recognize a strong loyalty among smokers to existing names and wish to avoid vast expenditures which create ooly temporary changes to sales patterns and are never fully

At the BAT headquarters in the United Kingdom, which has seen as much as 40 per cent of profits generated by Brown & Williamson's somewhat autonomous management, they trust this judgment. The growth of this judgment. The growth of sales has been such that present cigarette factories. Louisville, Kentucky, and Petersburg, Virginia, are now over-stretched—and a big new plant is now being huilt at Macon Georgia with Moline of Macon Georgia with Molins of Britain running strongly to supply up to 120 Mark VIV machines capable of 4,000 cigar-

ettes a minute each.

As Brown & Williamson's tall and friendly president, Joe Edens, looks out from his office be can see a test billboard displaying the new hrand, which may well become as they say, "all the rage". Any doubts, even at this late

stage, will result in the scrapping of the Tramps project, but things, as one executive whispered to me during a visit to the corporate headquarters lo Louisville, are looking good.

Joe Edens, the man at the

top, will take the marketing men's advice. Meanwhile, there are other matters much coo-The expansionary ambitions of the BAT group, which has plete protection for boliday makers' money against the makers' money against the bought its way into perfumes makers' money against the and Europeao retailing, among mur operator going into liquiother things, are felt across dation between payment of

As a result. Edens is undertaking the difficult task of revising B & W's corporate structure. It involves the creastructure. It involves the creation of Brown & Williamson Industries Inc, with a new burvery small management ream to deal with the specific problems of diversification. The acquisitions of Vita Food Products, Kohl Supermarkets, and the Gimbels and Saks Fifth Avenue department store businesses have made heavy claims on the time of a management trained time of a management trained to run one of the most successful tohacco companies in the

A new holding company must meet Edens overriding requirement, that the tobacco operation and its executives are not damaged and can expand without the feeling that their traditional tance will be eroded.

It is no secret that new acquisitions will be made as opportunities arise. Brown & Williamson is a big enough predator on the United States business scene to have had a go at H. J. Heinz and Green Giant, among others.

To make sure that the tobacco interests are well pro-tected io decision taking, char-lie McCarty, the present execunive vice-president for B & W's tobacco operations, will have Edens's ear within the small team heing sel up to work at holding company level. The research and development team has a notable, freecauging brief.

That explains why BAT in London allows the company such free rein. Indeed, BAT chairman Richard Dobson, the quietly spoken head of the world's largest cigarette manufacturing combine, says the relationship with Louisville is basically a matter of consullation between friends and colleagues. "The management of B & W and its subsidiaries, including Gimbels, is firmly in the hands of Joe Edeus and bis board", he tells me.

That is not something that pareot groups usually say. And what gives at an added dimension is that the fact that in the reverse situation, subsidiaries in Britain of United States giants control always enjoy the same confidence, and consequential freedom from control. Neither Dobson nor Edens an, or would want to say it, at east at this stage, but the crestion of an American holding company for B & W is bound to raise speculation about an evectual move to public quohandy for the acquisitive minded—such as the mighty

But first, Tramps has to make its debut and reap more profit. And those noo-tohacco husioesses have to weather the economic storm now hearing down on American industry

Maurice Corina

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Long-suffering consumer is entitled to be consulted

From Mr H. A. Johnson Sir, It is with grave concern that one notes the decision ro exclude the Post Office Users' result of these negotiations National Council from the and the proposed withdrawal negotiations between the Post Office and the Union of Post Office Workers, on the issue of reduced postal services (November 22).

Addressing the Institute of Public Relations at Eastbourne last year, Sir Genffrey Howe, the then Minister of Trade and Consumer Affairs, referred to the communications gap tween the consumer and purveyor of goods being at its largest in the public sector.

He went on: "It is of the highest importance that these bodies (the Community Health Councils in the reorganized NHS) should include people with whom the ordinary consumer is able m identify imme diately : if not exactly, the girl next door, then at least a substandal sprinkling of articulate house wives young mothers."

One had hoped that this speech would mark a new era in consumer protection. Then the Users' Councils of tha Nationalized Industries, instead of being the under-publicized, little used, cinderellas of con-sumer protection organizations, might hegin to play a meaning-ful role. Alas, those hopes seemed to be ill-founded.

While one accepts the genuine concern of the Union of Post Office Workers to secure decent working conditions for its members: the exclusion of the consumer from particip- November 26.

ation in the talks seems totally unjustified. It seems that the combined

of government subsidies is likely to be a Sip or 6ip first class post and the end of Saturday collections and deliveries, with side-effects on Monday deliveries.

Surely the long-suffering coosumer is entitled to be consulted at the meaningful stage of negotiations and not presented with a fait accompli in which the requirement to consult is rendered meaningless?

S15(1) of the Post Office Act, 1969, requires the Post Office... before it puts into effect any major proposals the finance director. Each crelating to any of its main services . . . "to refer the propo-sals to, and consult thereon, with the Post Office Users' National Council ".

sur thereon " in a case such as this means—invite represenr-atives of the council to the talks in an attempt to reach a workable and amicable settle-ment hetween ALL parties. Perhaps it is a little ton much to hope that in an atmosphere of increasing trade union domination of the Gov-

erument and the increasing failure to look at issues beyond the immediate effects on trade union members that such consultation will take place.

Faculty of Law, The University, Hull.

would suggest that "con-

Yours faithfully. H. A. JOHNSON,

# Holiday money safeguards

From Mr Neville Roberts Sir, Ir is depressing in read of the Government's new plans to safeguard holidaymakers' monies. These revolve around a reserve fund to stand behind honds already lodged by travel companies with the Civil Avianon Authority, which, in turn, were introduced last year o stand behind bonds lodged by travel companies with the Association of British Travel

In all this there seems to be a remarkable reluctance to go io the root of the whole prob-lem and legislate for the only true guarantee of holiday. makers' money. That is a trustee account system whereby customers would pay rheir holiday money, except possibly the booking deposit, direct into a trustee account set up either individually by travel companies or centrally by the Civil Aviation Authority.

Agents.

That money would only be released by the trustees to the tour operator concerned after the client had returned from holiday and would he held oo trust for the holidaymaker money against the

their boliday monies and the taking of their holiday, this scheme would also encourage tour operators use their own capital and resources to finance their businesses rather than clients' money before delivering the goods.

It would certainly make for, slower growth within travel companies but that could be no bad thing in these difficult times. It is certainly the only way to restore public confidence io the ravaged holiday business and such a system is aiready law in the United States

Is it possible that the reluctance of Mr Peter Shore, the Minister responsible, to give this idea a proper airing is due in the personal satisfaction he might he gaining from watch-ing bookings for the nationalized tour operating companies, Sovereign and Enterprise, swell daily as a worried public turn to them-the only travel companies ultimately backed hy an open cheque from the taxpayer. I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

NEVILLE J. ROBERTS. Chairman, Algarye Agency. 61 Brompton Road, November 22.

### Dialling the facts service

proves a success From Mc R. Woolliscroit

Sir, We note with interest you article on November 25 on th BSC's attempts to improve communications, and in partic ular the reference to the nea internal telephone informatio

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vice came from a suggestion ; one of our joint management FOC (shop steward) consutations ar St George's Hous Windsor, where IPC New papers has been holding sur papers has been nording sur consultations over the pa four years as a part of i programme to improve hums and industrial relationships.

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Sir, Mr C. W. Wells puts for ward so persuasive an arg ment in bis letter of Novemb 25 (Hurrah for the 550,000 year man) that I am convincing that the country's econom difficulties would quickly dappear if everyone in or out employment were paid eoon; to allow them each to contribute £35,000 per annum ... il Inland Revenue.
I do not think I am alone

looking forward to this pro pect with a mixture of avari and incredulity. Yours faithfully, P. M. MATHER

Department of Geography. The University of Nottingham University Park, Nottingham.

### Little left to cut

From Sir Reg Goodwin Sir. Mr Calvert in his lett-(November 19) states that the GLC has its priorities the wrot way round in raising fares i London Transport and cutil little of our road huildi programme. Despite his tigures beit

wrong—we are in fact raising 126m on higher fares next ye—be omits to state that the GI has little to cut from its ro building programme as we as the £2,000m Riogway scheme April, 1973. REG GOODWIN, The Couory Hall. London, SE1.

vention, for building trawle modernizing a bacon factory

Yorksbire, a dairy in Durha and numerous other project under the heading of "aid.

Coal and steel research pr

jects have also attracted st stantial grants

Nationally, grants and los in Britain's first 18 mmm of membership amount £322,547.904, somewhat

excess of the payments ma

and due from Britain to t

European Community huds for the same period—estimat at £280,358,141.

### Industry in the Regions

### Reminder of £100m EEC aid to the north

Despite the protestations of Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for Trade and other antimarketeers Mr George Thomson. European Commissioner with responsibility for regional policies, continued his "propaganda" campaign in Hull on Friday.

This was a regional gathering and it was to be expected that the wider implications of Community membership should take second place to the more downto-earth question of what benefits the regions of Britain were likely to derive.

Possibly the most astonishing impression to emerge from the question-and-answer session conducted hy Humberside indus-trialists and local authority representatives was the seem-ingly appalling lack of knowledge not only of regional henefits that might accrue from Britain's continued membership, hut of those that had already shown themselves.

In his speech, Mr Thomson recognized that if the public were to vote on Britain's memhership with sufficient aware-ness of the issues involved, then an immense task of information had to be undertaken.

It would appear that most people are quietly making plans and costing projects ready for the emergence of the long awaited regional fund which it is hoped will burst forth in all its glory in about a week's time at the EEC summit meeting in

If the Commissioo's proposals are accepted, about £600m will be available for distribution. The present proposals are that the fund shall be distributed on the basis of long-term economic development projects put up by member countries, who show that they are necessary for their own under-developed areas. What is nor always realized is

that there are other regional funds io existence which have already contributed in the form of loans or grants to Britain. Mr Thompson was more than a little surprised to discover that few people were aware that few people were aware that between January, 1973, and September this year the total awarded by the Commission to the north of Eugland was no less rban £100,252,802.

Mr Thomson listed the loans and grams aiready doled out. For instance, from the Social Fund one might select at random financial aid for redundant steelworkers. A £700,000 grant was given to 3,600 workers from the British Steel Corporation's is a crowded list of substant Appleby Frodingham works grants for drainage, flood p after the closure of several vention, for huilding trawle plants. A grant of £63,500 weot to 200 workers after the closure of Claywheel Lane works, Sheffield, while £289,500 went to 811 made redundant by closure of BSC's Stanton iron works Aid for families and depen-dants of victims of the Markham

and Lofthouse mine disasters and the Flixborough chemical plant explosion totalled £29,266. Financial aid for redundant miners if there are any is on the cards, and in oorth and south Yorkshire 464 miners' houses belonging to the National Coal Board are heing modernized through a European Coal and Steet Community loan, payable over a 25-year period ar 1 per ceni interess.

The European Investment Bank has provided loans at about two-thirds the currenr interest rate in Britain, nearly £26m for the modernization of the Scunthorpe steel complex; £14m for steelworks at Teesside : £18m for the Scunthorpe coke ovens expansion scheme: 53.5m modernization of Horden and Blackhall collieries, co Durbam, Bradford has received an EEC

grant of £82,282 to replace its obsolete fishmarket, and there

Summary of Interim Results—

Going back to the region fund, however, it is experimentally that hy the time Britain is full paying member of the Comunity in the 1980s the to regional development fur alone will bring somerhing h £200m ro the intermediate a special development areas

Mr Thomson is convinc that the new regional fund w hecome as firmly established part of Community expendit the common agricultu policy spending is today.

Ronald Kersha

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Comments on the results:

The Price Code has continued to restrict profits.

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# **EUROPE'S CRISIS CHRISTMAS: CAN THE SHOPPERS AFFORD TO GO CRACKERS?**

Santa Claus makes his own rules. And, with Christmas just around the corner, the whole of Europe is spending even more of the money of which we daily seem

to have less. Tomorrow, Europa investigates this phenomenon, and considers what things would be like in Europe if

nation prepares itself for the first free election in

every day were like Christmas. In the same issue, Dr. Mario Soares, the Portuguese foreign minister, in an exclusive interview, reveals how a

forty-eight years. Europa also considers what can be done to give Europe's harassed teachers a better deal; how barley might prove nothing but a lemon to the German beer industry; takes a look at the prospects for a European film industry; and shows how fear of a luxury tax is inhibiting jewellery design-turning precious stones into precious

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# Finance houses on the high wire

a little uncertainty. At the im stage profits were virtu-halved to £1.47m and alio some respects, the nd half should have seen mprovement, there remaio mber of imponderables. The one will be an important ator for the finance houses

whole.

ie fundamental trading ale is unquestionably better than it was during the first of the year. Following the mber restrictions, bire pure business fell away sharply cidentally with the three-week. But since then there been some recovery and I quarter statistics on new extended indicated a dization in monetary terms ound the levels seen in the gnarter last year.

ore importantly, perbaps, passing of time has brought rogressive run-off in the sess contracted during the t lending days of 1972/73 the finance bnnses were ly making three-year con-er loans at rates which left. profits after they had been sasted as the much higher is seen in the second balf ast year and the first half

he easing of short-term test rates since mid-summer meant that the houses are picking up the benefit of reverse swing of the pen-m. Since a rising propor-of their husiness is in any linked to the Finance ses Association hase rateide estimates suggest it id be as bigh as 40 oer cent otal business for Mercantile possibly rather more for possibly railier those re-rimargins should he re-ring well this half and fits therefore ought to be ter than the two previous

hat at least, is the theory. at is less certain is how far tost of money to the finance ses has risen above money kets rates. The finance ses have not remained nune to the general ecycling cess associated with the ndary hank crisis and bave nu beavily on the support of ir clearing hanks. What price been exacted for this sopis far from clear, but one lous possibility is that the ses are having to pay a ler margin over interbank

s to generate fuods.
so, the swing of the interest
cycle into their favour can
spected to have a less signitrimpact on profits than has zerly been the case. s for as this year's results concerned, however, the cial area of uncertainty is what provisions are likely e necessary against loans to perty. Last year UDT allod provisions of £6m against im of loans secured against perty, and unless its lending ries lo 1972 and 1973 were ood deal more conservative analysts suspect further mantial provisions may be

voidable this year.

t Mercantile's case, the size loans committed against perty is much smaller aligh as a percentag of the portfolio it may not be very event. So the same priociple bes and hefty provisions o inevitable. All told, there all he little surprise in the k market if profits work out 10ly around a third of last

all goes well, the current could see the bouser estab-ing firm, even though ressed bases from which to work upon a period of re-ed growth, but as long as perty development ramains er a cloud, with all the mial for causing further stantial losses, the ratings of houses are bound to suffer. urprisingly in such prickly unstances stock market sment is concentrating on degree of exposure should worst occur. The yields more recently listed companies he three majors—Lloyds & in particular feel they have

City is approaching Mer-Scottish at 16.5 per cent. Mer-ile Credit's final results this cantile at 25.1 per cent and UDT; with some trepidation and at 30.1 per cent—are a direct at 30.1 per cent—are a direct reflection of their relativa

gearing. Such lowly ratings have inevitwhether the three independents will be likely m follow the example of Forward Trust and Hodge Group and throw in their lot with their dominant share

### Samuel Osborn The Jessel

connexion

The City feara a downturn next year, and steel is a classic cyclical industry, but Sheffield special steelmaker Samuel Osborn is still confident. Order books remain good, although there are some signs of confidence weakening among customers, and the group tends to suffer later than others from recession as a capital goods supplier to the engineering construction, chemical and

other industries.
Oshorn can also point our that the new Ecclesfield steelworks is still not quite up to optimum operating levels, that under EEC rules it can raise prices over g5 per cent of output aa it likes, and that domestic earnings will stay tax-free for some years

thanks to past losses. Even so, the year to Septemher 27 was exceptional. It was the year when for once Osborn bad everything going for it. Demand both in Britain and South Africa was running at high levels and export prices were good. Profits, moreover, bad started the year at low levels. Some steel prices rose by up to half. Ecclesfield got into its stride after years of dislocation, streamlining and re-equipment and there were stock windfalls too.

The new profits peak finds the shares after a 5p rise on the figures at their par value, selling at 1.4 times earnings, and yielding 14.8 per cent. A crucial factor, though, is that in the background stands Jessel Securi-ties' associate, Johnson & Firth

Johnson talked about cooperating more closely with Oshorn last year, and the two companies are friendly even though there is oo boardroom link. Osborn would not be averse to an industry restructuring to judge by the remarks of the chairman, Mr Bernard Cotton, in the last accounts when he complained shout the long-term problem of oversupply and in-dustry fragmentation. He added that the group had talked with other steel companies about merging production units.

What happens to the Jessel

stake in Johnson remains to be seen, bowever. Apparently three groups including British Steel Corporation are interested in it, but the EEC authorities will bave the final say. Osborn itself has further dividend leeway under the Treasury's recovery rules; and its hig investment programme is over. The shares are interesting.

Final: 1974 (1973) Copitalization £2.3m Soles £25.89m (£19.69m) Pre-tax profits £2.88m (£671,000)

Earnings per share 18.4p (nil) Dividend gross 3.7p (1.3p)

### Private companies Out of the firing line

The story of the company chairman who walked into a City merchant banker's office re-cently to inquire about going "unpublic", may sound like a bad hear market joke, hur apparently a number of com-panies bave been putting out feelers recently in this direc-

tion. It seems that some of the heen herrayed by the stock mar-ket. The equity expansion capi tal they came to market for is virtually unavailable at present, and some seem to fancy their chances more with a strong institutional partner like a development bank.

For such banks—say the development capital arm of a merveropment capital arm of a mer-chant bank—there are aurac-tions in huying publicly quoted equity stakes, not least because market capitalizations are historically low. A bank may typically he financially struc-tured to take a five to seven-year view. The entractions of year view. The ottractions of buying undervalued assets with a view to taking dividends initially and ultimately disposing of the company through a reflotation makes sense on this basis.

What primpts these observa-tions is the publication by Graham Trotman Dudley Pub-lishers, of Britain's Top 1000 Private Companies, as re-searched and compiled by Financial Aoalysis Group. It reminds us that there are still

very many large imquoted groups, technically quite big enough to go public if they

Just to give a few examples: George Weston Holdings, hig-gest of the unquoted companies, had a 1973 turnover of E733m and pre-interest profits of over E4m while Western United In-E4m while Western United Investment Company (main vehicle of the Vestey family interests) comes second in the Top 1,000 with 1970 sales of £333m and profits of £181,000. Thomas Borthwick & Sons (meat importers) had 1973 sales of £324m and profits of £11.7m, while well-known names like the Wellcome Foundation, Little woods Mail Order, C & J Clark (shoes), Ferranti, the David Brown Corporation and Robery Owen Holdings all have sales well over £50m a year and preinterest profits between £1m and £22m, though the reporting dates are not always compardates are not always compar-

These and scores more meet The Stock Exchange's usual expectation of profits around the fin mark on listing (though the only written requirement is that market capitalization should usually approach £500,000). However, fac from these unquoted groups seeking listings, the trend would seem likely to he in the opposite direction, in the short-term at least. Isolated new issues like Henry Boot and George M. Callender last week do nothing to upset this assertion. Regular accountability to a wide group of shareholders can

wide group of shareholders can he an onerous obligation for many companies and; unless the quid pro quo is access to wider capital markets the game may seem bardly worth the capital Even the I per cent premium which quoted groups used to get oo a dehenture conpoo (over an unquoted group's issue) seems to have been eroded to

seems to have been eroded to virtually nothing.

Another factor, which certainly weighed heavily in the Pilkington Bros' decision to go public a few years ago, is securing a ready "out" for a large number of family shareholders, via a Stock Exchange quotation. Needless to say the way ont is now blocked by lack of demand in the equity market, and the estate duty beneket, and the estate duty bene-fits of going public are often exaggerated by all but the mer-

chant banks who know the various options open. The Financial Analysis group supports the theory that prisupports the theory that private companies are more efficient employers of capital. The ratio of profits to net assets in their sample group of 1,000 companies is 16.7 per cent compared with 14.4 per cent for quoted companies (this latter figure from official statistics). For the record, a (then) Department of Employment and Productivity survey in 1968 showed unquoted companies investing far more in fixed assets and paying our less in divi-dends than quoted companies. All this is interesting food for corporate thought (and possibly consolation) while the bear

### Hugh Stephenson

# Lessons to be learnt on building a tunnel

Whatever the eventual outcome of the Channel Tunnel affair, the entire episode is a rich case history of how not to do these things in future. As, inavitably, more industrial and commercial activity, when it is on a multi-million pound scale, will be conducted in the grey area between cov-ernment and the private sector, it is important that the lessons should be

learnt.

Why, for a start, has all the serious public discussion about whether we need a tunnel (and, if so, what form it should take) only developed after the project was well into its initial stages? Now that there is a real possibility that the final British decision will be against the tunnal, this means that substantial direct and indirect compensation payments may have to compensation payments may bave to be made to those who have invested in the operation.

One main reason is that, because of the curious hybrid neture of the tunnel's financing arrangements, White-hall in general and the Treasury in paridular never considered it necessary to look critically at the proposals. The tunnel, if built, will be financed almost entirely by money raised by the operat-

ing companies as loans, carrying the respective guarantees of the British and French governments. The figuriog bas oot, therefore, been included in the totals of forecast public sector spending and the Treasury has consequently not shown its usual mericulous concern for the wellbeing of the public

In the two respects that matter, bowever, this method of financing has virtually identical consequences to those
thot would follow, if the project were
heiog directly financed by Exchequer
loans. First, the real resources that will
he devoted to the construction of the he devoted to the construction of the tuncel ara just as real and as extensive as if they were heing bought by the Departmenr of the Environment itself. The cost is now put at £1,500m (having started life at £846m). It is certain to gn bigber and the higher it goes the lower will be the fixed proportion (10 per cent of the original estimate cost) that will be paid for hy the private interests involved directly.

Secondly, ao far as management of the Government's debt and borrowing requirement is required (with all the attendant implications for the control of the money supply) horrowing uoder

of the money supply) horrowing under

government guarantee by the tunnel operating companies is the same as horrowing on the same terms hy local authorities, nationalized industries or the Government itself.

For, if the Government needs to borrow money on its account the amount available will he less by what bas good ioto government guaranteed Channel

ioto government guaranteed Channel Tunoel bonds. The loans themselves will become in effect an integral oart of the pool of government guaranteed debt for which the managers of the public debt will bave to care.

Lord Rothschild's think tank never formally looked et the Channel Tunnel io relstion to Britain's traosport needs, partly for this reason and partly because, as a matter of practical politics, it was judged that Mr Heath had such a profound personal commitment to a profound personal commitment to the project (it bad featured centrally in his private talks with President Pompidou) that it was not worth wastiog valuable time trying to argue.
The result was that Mr Peyton, as

the minister responsible for transport, pushed the basic tunnel Bill through at such speed in the first balf of 1973 that there was no extensive and informed discussion of the project as a

whole. For example, there was nevar any clear and coordinated picture presented of how the tunnel would fit into the rest of the British transport

The two parts of the picture were further kept separate, hecausa ibe private Chennel Tunoel companies were only responsible for the hole itself. The figures they presented on their account in no way included certain not insignificant items, such as the London rail link, without which, bowever, the entire

project made little overall seuse. So the discussion about whether the tunnel project was viable financially ought also have asked much more clearly whether it was viable taking ioto account the other very large capital expenditures like the road link, which would have to he financed directly by government. If this had been properly taken into account in the total cost henefit analysis from the start, it must be doubted whether the project would be doubted wbether the project would bave reached the stage where, last week, Mr Crosland was finally required tn say that £373m (not allowing for several extra costs still to come) was

too much for British Rail to spend.

# Japanese case on car restrictions threat

publicly and in private British Government Is Both publicly and in private the British Government is heing urged to follow Italy's lead and impose severe restric-tions on Japanese car imports. The case for doing so would seem to he overwhelming. But

lohby has yet to put any meat on the bones of their claim that the Japanese have effectively closed their bome market to imported cars, and until they do it is impossible to examine the merits of their

The facts relating to the massive imbalance in Japan's favour are irrefurable. This year she will sell some 80,000 cars in Britain while we shall export at most 1,500. Last year on the basis of similar figures he helesses of stands of series. the halance of trade in cars in Japan's favour was £69m. But it is the reasons being advanced by British motor spokesmen for their failure to sell in Japan which need closer

examination.

Sir Raymond Brookes, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, has attacked what he describes as "the non tariff barriers usually to be found in small print". Others have talked of hidden obstacles. When asked for details they bave referred vaguely to hureaucratic ror details they have reserved vaguely to hureaucratic administration of bomologation regulations (acceptance test for new cars). They claim that this can drag on for a year and by the time clearance is obtained new regulations make further modifications neces-

translations by the Japanese Motor Manufacturers Associatioo.

The most frequently heard complaint is the imposibility of obtaining adequate dealer-ships under the present mar-keting set-up. British sales executives returning from Japan insist that the two major Japanese manufacturers have effective control of all avail-able dealerships in the 20 large cities which account for 80 per cent of all Japanese car sales. In many cases is amounts to full financial ownership.

Where Jepauese dealers are available they demand such huge profit margins that Bri-tish cars sell et two and three times their United Kingdom retail price.

Yet taken point by point there seem to be answers to all these allegations which must he investigated before such e far reaching and potentially dangerons step as the erection of protectionist harriers is undertaken. For instance, cao the import of Japanese cars ha considered in isolation from the remainder of the growing trade between the twn countries?



Clifford Webb looks at the Japanese motor industry in the light of many voices urging severe restrictions of their car imports to this country. But as he points out the question needs closer examination.

They make great play of the long delay between the announcement of new regulations and the issue of English translations and the issue of English favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little degree favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little degree favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little degree favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little degree favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders, strengthen and thus in little degree favour of \$172m Rut a parking the number plate holders. favour of £172m. Bnt a parliamentary question earlier this year elicited that on invisible earnings Britain bas an estimated balance in her favour of between £150m and £200m.

In addition a study of the average monthly value of British exports to Japan 10 the first nine months of 1974 show that it is increasing by around f5m a month compared with a year ago. (It would seem from this that British industry in general is making a belated but promising effort in the Japanese market which would he endangered by a trade war.) On the question of homolog-ation and other problems with regulations, Japanese spokes-men insist that they have as many if not more difficulties to overcome when exporting to EEC countries including

Britain. Nissan-Datsuo for instance say that they bed to wait 18 months to obtain approval to sell their 180 B estate in Germany. They maintain a full-time staff of five experts in Brussels and ooe in Britain just to keep up with European regulations. The paper work covering these regulations weighs 36lb.

In the first nine months of Th comply with European this year Japan exported regulations they have to repo-

the pillar for seat belt anchorages, vary the thickness of safery glass, reinforce floors, change side and rear lamps sod use tyres of different construc-

The Japanese are particularly critical of British complaints that regulations in Tokyn are not available in Eoglish until several months later. They point out that the SMMT dues not offer any Japanese translation at all whereas their own Maouride. turers Association provides English versions. Also there is a six months to one year period of grace granted to importers before they are required to comply. There is no period of grace in Europe.

There is now no restriction preventing foreign firms investing in or establishing a subsidiary company in Japan to handle the import of cars. But a little known law preveots a wholly owned foreign firm from owning renail outlets. There is, bowever, a loophole which in the present eager-to-please climate could be exploited—the Japanese Govero-ment bave authority to waive the regulation on individual applications.

In a recent statement Nissan commented on this: "Since the

foreign manufacturer can establish his own 100 per cent owned subsidiary in Japan for importing and wholesaling pur-poses without heing subject to government intervention government int approval or red tape." The statement adds that such a company could appoint Japanese-owned retailers with-out hindrance. This does not,

of course, answer the basic complaint thet such dealers are not available hecause of the blanket coverage policy of Nis-san and Toyota, Nissan have repeated their offer to assist British Leyland to establish itself in Japao by

making available space on its special car carrier ships returning from Europe and also to service BL cars through its Japanese retail oetwork, BL bave rejected this out of hand because they say there are too many hidden striogs. Asked why British manufac-

turers do not sell more cars in Japan if, as they claim, the door is wide opeo, Japanese spokesmen say the answer is to be found in British board. rooms and not in Tokyo. The difficulty in trying to sort out these complex counter-claims is that they ignore the present depressed state of world car markets; it may be that the Japanese are prepared to make a real effort to open their own market to foreign their own market to foreign cars, but they do so from an established position of strength in Europe which is heconing politically uoacceptable while thousands of German, French and Italian car workers are being thrown out of work and a similar spectre looms in Britain Britain.

One suggestion now finding support is that a summit conference of Japanuse and Euro pean car chiefs should be unlikely that the foreigo in-vestment authorities would dis-approve of any retailing appli-cation of this nature filed by a foreign motor manufacturer— threat of protectionist mea-sures, this has produced results in the shape of voluntary quotas imposed by Japan-ese manufacturers of other far heeo made. ese i "It is therefore clear that a goods.

## AMC Announcement

an outside "invasion" it is felt

though no such application has

so far heeo made.

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# Business Diary in Europe & 'East Indies deaf'

as by Estel, the third largest il company outside the ted States, to invest in South ca has caused a storm of test in The Netherlands. A m lyhich once again outlines paradox, ooe of many, of the xistence of industry and hose who might think from r that the Dutch necessarily affinity to their Afrikaens bews are much mistaken. d opinion approves the re-tless condemnation of apar-

id and white domination in thern Africa, while a voci-Jus minority remains in our of continued contact. lut both politics and publi o on ere, as the Dutch sey, ast Indies—deaf " to the foct t practically every one of multinational firms for ich the public must tbank its sent almost unequalled west ropeao prosperity bas a fully ned subsidiary and coosidere investments in that part

the world. Dutch dominated abination of the former Hoorens and West German esch, is now coosidering takes a 6! to 7 per cent share in South African Saldanha hel project, a new steel plant which the South African te in the form of Iscor has 51 per cent interest. The stence of the plan was rught into the open by Andre 30s, former chairman of the Association Trade Unions, an tel board member represent-

: the employees



Gerhard Beil: pictured-at the weekend after a hectic two-day visit lo Britain.

He is on record as telling the board that be had no objection to the tovestment, so long es there was no discrimination between the employees there on grounds of race, colour and creed, and freedom of rade union activities was guaranteed.

But the socielist dominated Dutch Government, representing the States around 30 per cent interest in Estel, has limited its reaction so far to mild surprise and promises of further con-sideration. They seem resigned to the fact that their control over industry is strictly limited.

of, as the world council of churches has demanded, selling up the State's shares and refus-ing to collaborate.

### Two-day trot

We thought that Gerbard Beil, state secretary in the Foreign Trade Ministry of the German Democratic Republic, was in for a busy time during his two-day visit to Britain. And so it turned out to be.

Dr Beil was down to address the GDR section of the London Chamber of Commerce, end to call on ICI, GKN and BSC—all to be fitted in between maenings with Peter Shore, Secretary of State for Trade, Lord Beswick, Minister of State for Industry, Eric Deakins, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Trade, and officials of the British Overseas Trade Board.

Certainly Dr Beil and Deakins arrived late for their weekend press conference, and there was time for only two questionsone of which, of course, came from The Times. Amid the ritual noises about "iocreasing trade and cooperation" it did emerge that there would next year be an exchange of techni-cians between the BSC and the

### Some cheer

Unfortunately for Christmas shoppers in Britaio who are over industry is strictly indiced. Shoppers in bittato who are hut there is no sign that the now hoggling at the price of a often heard moral protest could bottle of sherry, there will be materialize in the political act no surplus of sherry from this

year's crop, nor any prospect of npon safe ground, for he was

lower prices.

The crop in Jerez was about a fifth down on 1973, bringing it more or less within normal limits. But even if Jerez bad baen awash with grape juice, the bodega keepers would still ha far from tears.

Like Scotch or port, sherry has to age. Even e modest tipple spends about three years "growing" in the dim bodegas and in being "educated" through hleuding with yet older wines. This year's grapes, for instance, are unlikely to be decauted from bottles here in Britain before 1977 or 1978.

Business Diary in Europe is reluctant to conclude a Christmassy story oo an unhappy note, putting the best face possible on the preceding transaction, we're glad to pass on ao assurance from Spain thatso far as sherrymakers are concerned-prices, bigh though they may be, should remain stable for "some tima to come"

### Sunk!

ence when he appeared before the Labour Party's Europe conference in London over the veekend. George Thomson, the EEC Commissioner responsible whose perties have to he paid for regional affairs, found him to ensure that his interests are self in Hull, which is in turn protected in the framing of

addressing a meeting of textile magnate Ralph Yahlon's pro-Market Denton Foundation. But things got off to a had start with the chairman, fellow socialist Lord Peddie, intro-ducing George Thomson as "George Brown" (although to be fair, Lord George-Brown is

Thomson then came mildly unstuck, as many politicians do, whan be embarked on some Dunkirk imagery. Yorkshire has some active anti as well as pro-marketeers in the husioess community Thomson had begun to say that, epropos of EEC membership, Britaio was better off in a big ship than

going it alone in a small boat.

also a pro-marketeer).

This was too good a chance to let slip for the antis already present, one of wbom heckled that it was small boats that had seved us from one European disaster-Dunkirk-while everybody knew what happened to the Titanic

### Rare bird

self in Hull, which is in turn one of Britzin's more sceptical new legislation. But otherwise got off to a shaky start, and its regions.

Thomson might bave been kept at arm's length, though higher than that of the average forgiven for thinking himself that attitude is slowly being leading the more coalition has got off to a shaky start, and its they are people who ahould he life expectancy is not rated higher than that of the average forgiven for thinking himself

overcome, few yet think that careers in both husiness and politics are compatible. Visentini, born 60 years ago

at Treviso near Venice, is a

man of many parts. He sits in

Parliament for the Republicans, the junior partners io Aldo Moro's Christian Democrat-dominated coalition, and is one of Italy's leading tax experts. In industry, he was for years deputy chairman of the vast public sector corporation Instituto per la Ricostruzione In dustriale (IRI), while latterly he has been chairman of Oli

Confindustria, the private in dustrialists confederation. At the next hoard meeting Signor Viscotini is expected to resign from the Olivetti cheirmanship and hand over to the deputy cheirman, Roberto Oliverti, grandson of the founder.

vetti and vice-president

His departure from Coofin assumed that he would next On the other hand, there are

dustria, from which he has already resigned, mey however pose a problem. It was Helmut Schmidt, the West Italy's new Minister ut spring aucceed Gianoi Agnelli German Chancellor, was not Pinance, Bruno Visentini, is e of Fiat, who temporarily took alone in facing a critical audit rare bird in his country—an on the Confindustria president of the Confindustria industrialist who is prominent in public life. The Italian industrialist traditionally looks down on politicians as pests

On the community president the president of the community of the full two years.

On the other hand, there are those who hel that Visentini will after all he available next

# PARKER TIMBER GROUP LTD.

**OUTSTANDING GROWTH** 

The Annual General Meating of Parker Timber Group Limited was held on November 29th in London. The following is an extract from the circulated statament of the Chairman and Joint Managing Director, Mr. K. Whitby:-

Group Trading Profit, bators tax for the year ended 31st March, 1974, was £3,051,036 compared with £1,163,885 in the previous year. The Directors recommand e dividend of 1.9698p net per share. This is equivalent to 11.76 per cent gross (1973 11.2 per cent adjusted for acrip issue 12th November, 1973) and allows the

maximum permitted increase. TIMBER AND PLYWOOD. Activity in our divisions has been at a satisfactory lavel and our policy of controlled expansion and improvement has augmented profits in thase areas.

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Deptiord, have echieved good Irading results. In particular, certon menufectura in Daplford has exceeded expactations. CURRENT TRADING. Trading for the first five months has been at an incraesed level of turnover. hul at reduced margins due in pert to increases in overhead costs. Deepile these current difficulties, we are confident theil unless there is a further delationation in our merkets, and provided commodity prices stabilise, the Company will enjoy a successful year in 1974/75

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# Link-up of three refineries brings about major Spanish giant

The biggest company in Spain begins business opera-tions there this week after the fusion of three important refi-

The new company, nearly 72 refineries of Encaso, Repesa, nd Entasa, io the new Empresa dacional de Petroleos SA. Minority sbareholders are Chevron, Texaco, Unioo Explo-nivos, Rio Tinto, and a group

**Expansion** 

Wares

aids Change

Its cootinued expaosioo and diversification will stand Change Weres in good steed in the years 10 come. Mr Richard

Crane, chairman, asserts io his

aonual statement. In the year

He goes on 10 say that the

ment areas, 10 produce in Britain that which is sold in

Britain, the cootioued efforts to increase investment per head to keep pace with io-creasing labour costs, plus the

ability to provide a firm finan-

cial base for its overseas manu-facturing company, pointed "the way to survival if noth-

ing else".

to move into develop-

year, are expected to total 1709m, and its present refining capacity of 14 million tonnes per year is expected to grow to 26 million tonnes by 1980, when per cent of which is owned by it will furnish 40 per cent of the Government cartel known the refinery needs of the as INI (National Institute for country, and will meet 24 per Iodustry) brings together the cent of the nation's energy

> The formation of the Spanish giant was approved by the Cabinet last August but it did not formally come into exist-

Alfredo Santos Blanco, witments bringing together the three companies.

"The integration", the Minister said, "will permit greater flexibility, both in ensuring supplies of crude oil, and in distributing refinery products. The capability of getting credit, both at home and ahroad, will ha increased. Summing up: the beoefits resulting from this fusion are much greater than eoce notil last Thursday, when ties of the three refineries con-

# the Minister of Industry, Senor sidered separately." Revised terms out for **Bougainville Copper**

Sharebolders in Bougainville which has a 431 per cent stake in Bougaioville. summary of the new agreement with the Government of Papua New Guinea varying the to June 29 the group, makers of wire-mesh goods, pushed up pre-tax profits 18 per cent to £478,000 pre-tax on turnover up one-third to £9.3m. lerms under which it runs the big copper mice on Bougainville Island. The terms were originally laid down in the Bougainville Copper Agreement, but that was entered into with the Government of Australia, whose has now passed to Papua New Guinea. Agreement in principle oo a oew agree-

ment was reached early last

month after the personal inter-

vention of Sir Val Duncan,

The preliminary details indicated that the company would pay tax on the whole of its 1974 profits at a standard corporation tax rate of 33 per cent and with a marginal excess profits tax on profits above an undisclosed figure ranging up to 70 per cent. The formal summary repeat

all this but adds that the speci-fied level of profit at which the 70 per cent rate becomes psychle will be roughly \$87m in 1974. This level will be modified in future years to reflect things like variations in the value of Papua New Guinea currency (when estab-lished) against the United chairman of Rio Tioto-Zinc, States dollar, etc.

problem after AB **Electronics**' at Provident demand drop Clothing

Shareholders were told at the annual meeting of AB Electronics that 1974 brought the fuel crisis and interruptions to production and consequent upheavals on a "scale we have not previously experieoced". Nevertheless record results were achieved. But subse-

quently many customers were faced with a severe drop in demand for their products, while serious liquidity problems forced them to make substantial cuts to their com-pooent intake "almost overnight", contrary to their firm orders and delivery schedules. The result was that despite institution economy measures, profitability in the last few months showed a decentury. months showed a downturn.

Herman Smith

adverse factor, shortage of supplies, has shown some signs

of easing io recent weeks. Specialist items for the aero industry bowever remaio diffi-

cult to obtain.

But the group has a good order book which is at a higher level than ever experienced

before. Turnover is planned to

expend accordingly. Inflation-ary pressures of course are affecting mergins, and making

### Brighter times at | SW (Canada) net profit rises

Badly his last year by the shorter week followed by the engineers' ban oo overtime Herman Smith says that another Sleter Walker of Caneda's net operating profit rose in the nice mooths to September 30. Per share operating net income was \$1c against 55c, net profit \$C3m against \$C2m.
The latest period excludes a \$C282,366 gain on sale of in-yestments and a \$C339,000 gain

from equity in sale of property.

Its final net profit comes to \$C3.6m, or 98c a share, compared with \$C3m (81c) and income financial mount (\$C1.3m). Equity in earnings of associated and unconsolidated associated and subsidiaries was SC5.5m

# Upturn seen | Liquidity not | Corporations favour shorter loan

Bankers in the Eurocurrency markets have begun to detect a trend among corporate borrowers to seek funds for much shorter maturities than

companies Several reported to have been trying to raise loans for no more than six chairman of Provident Cloth-ing & Supply Co, told sbare-holders at the extraordinary months or a year, in the firm helief that when the loans mature they will be able to make general meeting that the group new loans at much lower cost. neither bad nor expected to In most instances, the loans have any liquidity crisis. The heing sought are for relatively modest sums in the \$10m-\$20m board was grateful to its numerous bankers for the con-Behind this development lies

port—without recourse to any support group". It remained confident of the group's current profitability. the sharp rise in interest rate spreads and in management fees and commissions being exacted from borrowers by the The meeting approved the change of the company's oame to Provident Financial Group. lending hanks. Minimum spreads for the best quality borrowers are currently being fixed at Trading activities would in 1.13 per cent over interbank rates (although the \$100m loan future be carried on by wholly-owned subsidiaries, namely Provident Personal Credit, Practical Credit Services and the People's Bank. under negotiation for a Russian borrower is believed to have encountered difficulty over Russian reluctance to pay a spread as high as 1 per cent). This compares to spreads of roughly half that level eight or 10 months ago.

Moreover, since there are still fewer banks prepared to join syndicated loans than in tha first part of this year, those still in the market have heen able to demand generous fees and commissions worth, perbaps as much as a further a per cent. The first advantage of raising a very short term loan is that it evades the necessity for paying management commissions.

More importantly, bowever, borrowers appear to be adopting the view that within the next six months or a year the current lenders' market will once again turn into a borrowers' market

and that spreads will begin to

### Euromarkets

There are several arguments to support this assumption. One is that, with world economies moving into recession corporate borrowing pressures (as distioct from balance of paymeots pressures) on banks will be con-siderably easad. Some of those banks which have voluntarily adopted a lower profile in the Euromarkets in the secood balf of this year could thus again hecome willing leoders, although few would expect to see much increased willingness

to lead directly to countries. Secondly, it is suggested that the midsummer crisis of confideoce among depositors in the Eurocurrency markets is now largely over and that funds are agaio flowing freely into the market. On the assumption that a considerable part of the petrodollars will continue to be deposited in the international market, it can be argued that

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Polish trade bank. The agreement is the fir which the English and Scr clearing banks have combin co-manage a Eurodollar loa a commercial enterprise in ing British exports.

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### **Business appointments**

### Three join board of Assoc **Portland Cement**

have joined the board of Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers. Mr Colin Baird has been named director of marketing in the British Steel Corporation's commercial division at the

commercial division at the Loodon head office.
Mr G. D. Bates (development director), Mr K. Grundy I projects director) and Mr E. L. Harris have been elected to the board of Lockington Properties

(Holdings).
Mr J. F. G. Emms has become an executive director of Commercial Union Assurance.
Mr R. D. Sampson has joined the board of Forminster.

Mr John Parsons has been made deputy macaging director of Markon Engineering.
Mr Denis Lonie becomes a director of Eullens Furnishing Contracts.

Mr M. C. d'E. Miller has beed appointed chairman of Alcan Ekco and Mr F. M. St L. Bircher

Mr J. E. Johnson has been elected to the board of Allied

Polymer Group.

Mr W. W. Franklin is the new assistant managing director of Young, Austeo & Young.

Mr Peter Cooper has been appointed assistant general manager of Barchays Bank Trust

Group.

Mr W. W. Franklin has t of W. W. Franklin has to made assistan managing dire-of Young. Austen and Young. Mr A. Emanuelsson sod Dr Undquisht have joined the bi of Milin Marsters.

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Mr Frank Guest has been managing director of the Pa

Mr G. F. Moore has been chairman of Barking Brassy Company, a British company. ITT. He will continue as managedirectors director.
Mr J. N. Sharman bas

made a director of Haw Par & chant Bankers.
Mr Roy Smith has been managing director of E Furnaces. a subsidiary of Powell Duffryn Group comp. Hamworth Engineering. Mr R. G. Ames is now manag director of Kenning (Lnodo formerly Kenning Car Mart.

Mr Richard Gubbios and Christopher Oliver bave joil Streets Financial as accoudirectors. Mr R. T. Jackson has been my managing director of Bad Systems. Other appointments the board are Dr W. R. F. Gosl as technical director, Mr R. We commercial director and Mr L. Llycsey financial director is secretary.

### Freight report

A much weaker grain sector was threatening to overwhelm the dry cargo freight markets last week, so much so that many of the gloomier shipbrokers were beginning to fear a slump to tanker market levels.

Oil rates meanwhile continued to ride along at rock-bottom, and the total lack of major oil company interest in Persian Gulf loaders precluded hope of

improvement.
There was a definite brittleness to dry cargo rates—all important grain premiunis were lower on shipments from the United States to both Europe and the Far East. Demand for tonnage was minimal and possible sectors of future employment were losing their potential. Following reports a week previously that the Indian Government was able to ship a large proportion of its United States grain supplies without recourse to the freight markets, the United States last week cancelled the subsidy contracts to the majority of its national

carrying grain tn

longer required. Brokers have long taken the for so long since the oil

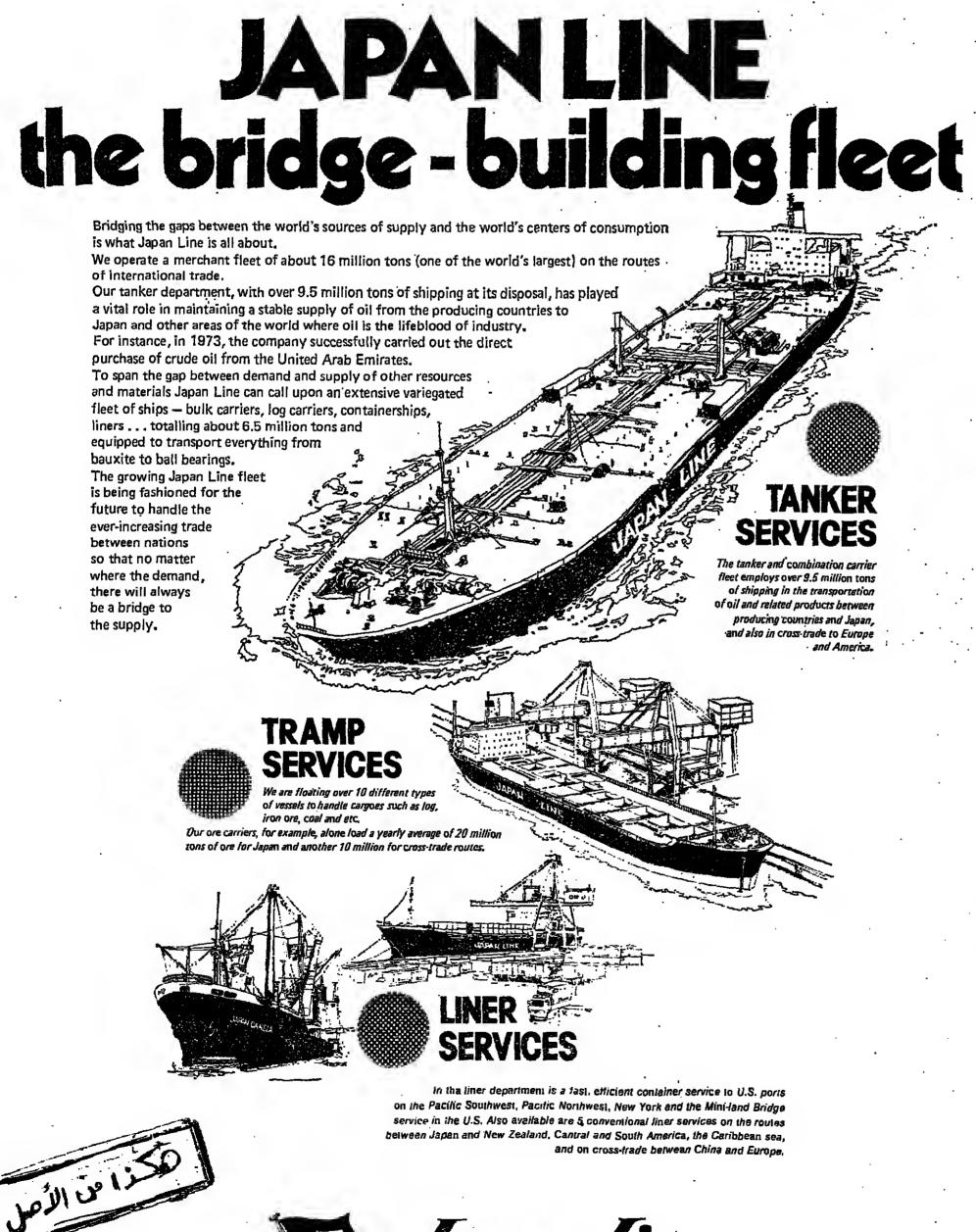
that withstood the ouslaught tankers into the market, as w as those vessels made redunda: by declining industrial prodution and world demand for ri. materials.

Now that the grain bolst scems to be weakening, it thought that the flood of surpl Chinese, Japanese and oth vessels, already causing owne some difficulty could overwhe the market. This, however, was the me

pessimistic view and owner brokers considered it 100 ear to write the market c allogether. Freights were st at a relatively high level United States Gulf grain rat stood at \$16.50 per ton to Japa and \$8.25 to the Continentwhich, although lower, cou also reflect the temporary hol up in coal shipments caused l the United States miners' strik

Additionally, althous America may not be the sourt of major new purchases, was by no means sure the Russia's crain demands habeen sated. There were other areas in the world where grain could be buught. Similarly no proof that Indians woulnot need their owo vessels an nothing else to ship forthcon ing grain cargoes.

Russia, because they were no In any event, grain is nor more than ever the crucia sector of the market. His cours view that it has been grain sector of the market. Its cours only that has held the market will provide the first indication of whether the rates will go up crisis a year ago. It was grain or down.



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# t midway, while rospects stay bright

With a 50 per cent leap interim profit of £570,000 tax, Eucalyptus Pulp Mills orts trading conditions con-

f. E981,000.
The dividend is up from 2.14p
2.23p gross, this giving the
te ner figure of 1.5p. Earns rose from 5.4p ro 8.2p a

before depreciation, interest and tax is markedly better than that of the first and mag to improve during the than that of the first and and half of the year, with e second balves of last year. order hook, the company Depreciation for the latest balf s forward to producing at £319,000, in fact, exceeds sy satisfactory" results for the amount for the whole uf full period. In 1973 profit 1973, because of changes in Portuguese tax law, plus a quantity of new equipment forming part of the expansion programme now coming into the charge.

### **It Charlotte hard-pressed** s costs erode margins

Is though turnover and tradprofits of Mount Charlotte restments, the botel group heritain carering interests the 40-week period to mber 6 have heen hoosted the inclusion for the first the form the period to meet 6 have heen hoosted the inclusion for the first the first the first the first the first the hoard say profit rights have heen hit form the period, at the first the first the previous peak level for the whole of 1973 of £6.4m and compares with £4.9m in the 1973 40-week period. But higher depreciation and financial charges which bave bounded from £243,000 to £324,000 lower the previous peak level for the whole of 1973 of £6.4m and compares with £4.9m in the 1973 40-week period. But higher depreciation and financial charges which bave bounded from £243,000 to £324,000 lower the previous peak level for the whole of 1973 of £6.4m and compares with £4.9m in the 1973 40-week period. But higher depreciation and financial charges which bave bounded from £243,000 to £324,000 lower the previous peak level for the whole of 1973 of £6.4m and compares with £4.9m in the 1973 40-week period. But higher depreciation and financial charges which bave bounded from £243,000 to £324,000 lower the previous peak level for the prev Furnover in the period, at earnings per share at 1.22p 8m, is a new group record against 2.07p.

### Results

The following dividend end offit statements are scheduled

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Charrington, Land & House Property and Ranks Hovis McDougall. Interims: Geo Bassett, British Petroleum (nine months' figures), B. Elliott, Scorcros and Standard & Chartered Banking. EDNESDAY: Finals: J. A.

Devenish and Mercantile Credit. Interims : Coalite & Chemical Products, Comben Group, Deritend Stamping and Wheway Watson. THURSDAY: Finals: British In-

dustrial Holdings, MRPC, Mitchell Cotts Group, Scotnish Agricultural and Whes-soe. Interims: Armitage Sbanks, British Building & Engineering Appliances, Churchbury Estates, Culter Churchbury Estates, Culter Guard Bridge, Haslemere Estates, Highams, Lennons Group, Oil & Assoc Inv Trust, Pauls & Whites, Philips Lamp, Pilkington Brothers, Rensome Hoffmann Pollard, Racal Electronics and Reprojects tronics and Renwicks.

RIDAY: Final: K Sboes.
Interims: Waiter Duncan &
Goodricke, Midland-Yorkshire Holdings and Scapa

recovery in prices so far.

The symposium will consider what steps should be taken to

increase per caput consumption

and, in some cases to halt e downward trend, in traditional

export markets, and to expand demand in new markets. Dis-cussions will be aimed at identifying the areas offering

the greatest potential, and the

promotional techniques likely to

countries, as well as the possi-bility and desirability of estab-

lishing an organization to under

take international generic pro-

Tanzania, Turkey and Uganda. Representatives from the Tea Councils of Australia, Canada,

New Zealand, France, West Ger-many, the United States and the United Kingdom will be present.

from the record production in 1973-74, Barclays Bank Group Economic Iotelligence Unit reports. The two largest producers, Bangladesh and India.

forecast this seasons output at about 4.5m and between 5m and

6m bales respectively compared with 6m and 8m hales in 1973-74.

In India this predicted fall in supplies has led to the Indian Jute Mills Association to call

for a ban on exports since normal domestic consumption alone stands at 7.5m bales. If output is as low as forecast, stack levels would be reduced

in the sbort run, steep increases

in jute prices could result in

this commodity losing its newly-

Minister, said the area under jute fell to about 700,000 acres

compared with 1.5m ecres Coffee.—Member states of the loter-African Coffee Organiza-

tion meet in Dar-es-Salaam tomorrow to discuss the world

market Countries participating

Coasr and Libya.

Jute output setback World jure outpur in 1974-75 bas suffered a dramatic reversal

motion of tea.

ommodities

By John Woodland

### **Malaysian scheme depends** n other producers

Following the plan by the jor copper exporters to ing trend is not yet clear, but, but prices (which, so far, has iled miserally, bas dug deep into leve more than offset any recovery in prices so far. r resources in an ettempt to rieve higher rubber values. scheme announced last ek was seen as good and sen-

n and Singapore. It is estimated that around tonnes could be taken the rubber market which uld hring supply and demand balance or perhaps slightly deficit. However, sources in ,000 to 50,000 tonnes will be

Stimulate consumption.
Other topics will include the benefits of coordinating the promotion efforts of individual But much, if not all, depends the other major producers. Malaysia achieves the coeration it most earnestly eds, and surely it is in the æresr of the other growers on the state of th come to some sort of arrangemt theo the scheme will un-

uhredly be a success.

However, London dealers
main extremely sceptical
tether Indonesia or Thailand Il cooperate and check their

oduction or exports.

Overall the Malayaian plan mot be anything bur builtsh r prices. The problem in the rid economic situation is sich mure hearish, particutly for rubber. For instance e car industry is in a major cession and there are only int bopes that the worst will

int bopes that the worst will over by the spring.
Wallace Brothers Commodiscould well be right in their mining up of the current arket. They say: "We still el the lack of physical office will take the edge off this lly (spot rose 2p to 24.75p: kilo last week) before too or and suggest selling into og and suggest selling into rength ".

ondon tea symposium A symposium on International as Market Expansion begins at arlbornugh House, London day. Organized by the Comoowealth Secretariat in conmction with the International rade Centre (Unctad/Gatt), ith the cooperation of the Food id Agriculture Organization of te United Nations it lasts of December 10.

Mr Arnold Smith, the Com-Onwealth Secretary-General, ud that the symposium could a of grear importance to a number of Country and the control of the country and the country of th umber of Commonwealth counies in which tea makes a subantial contribution to foreign schange earnings. The liveliwon competitive edge over synthetic substitutes. ood of several million people epended on the industry, and Meaowhile Reuters report from Calcutta that West Bengal will produce only a sbade over 2m bales io 1974-75 compared ne decline in real terms of eceipts from tea exports was cause of much coocern to the overoments of producing with 3.6m bales in the previous year. Forecasting this to Parliament Mr Abdus Settar, the West Bengal Agriculture

The Commonwealth Secreariat says that the failure of world demend for tea to keep ace with the increase in prouction ceused a 30 per cent all in average prices et the oodoo auctions between 1954 nd 1969. The agreement beween exporters at Mauritius in ollowed by a price rally, but as he momentum of this agree

market Countries participating include: Togo, Nigeria, Cameroun, Gabon, Dahomey, Central African Republic, Uganda, Zaire, The Congo, Malagasy, Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, Sierra Leon, Burundi, Ivory Coast and Libva. tent was lost, prices began irifing down again. Since September, 1969, there as been a recovery, and prices re now more bealthy than they lave been for a decade.

# Lucalyptus Pulp leaps | EMI seeking fresh expansion in US

While there is nothing firm compete with steel strapping—first balf to September 30. From yet, EMI is looking at a wide the cost of which, Lawton range of specialised electronics believes, will rise dramatically companies in the United States as smeel prices escalate.

first balf to September 30. From turnover up from £6.2m to £9.6m profits at the pretax level work out at £260,000, compared with with a view to possible ecqui-sition, according to Mr John Int Paint shines Read, the new chairman.

Since EMI's interest in acquiring two United States companies was reported recently, the group bas been approached by a large number of other firms.

EMI inrends to expand its United States interests through a strunger hase in commercial electronics, as it did in the United Kingdom, and is looking. et many different companies, public and private, large and small. Mr Read stressed that they are all non-consumer 3.15p to 3.54p.

industrial electronics firms.

The group has sizeable funds
available for acquisition, and
Blamed chiefly o purchases could run into several million dollars, he said.

Ofrex in venture

With US giant

On a 50-50 basis, Lawtons of Liverpool, an Ofrex Group subsidiary, bes formed a joint company with the \$2,000m United States giant, FMC of Philadelphia and New York. The new company, Lawco-Avistrap, will manufacture and sell polypropylene strapping and equipment for the peckaging and allied industries.

ing and allied industries.

The manufacturing plant, which will be the most modern in Europe, is situated close to

Further improvement was vouchsafed from International Paint Co, the \$7.78 per cent-owned Courtaulds subsidiary, in July, which in the event takes the shape of an opening 98 per cent bound to £5.76m in pre-tax profit. The trading level also bounded from £3.25m to £6.12m. Turnover for the six months to September 30 jumped from £46.4m ro £69.9m. The interim dividend is raised from 3.15p to 3.54p.

Blamed chiefly on the national economic situation, Hargreaves Group reports pretax profits down 6.2 per cent to f1.26m for the year to September 30. Turnover bowever was 41 per cent higher at £38.75m. Depreciation was higher at £722,000 against £649,000 and share of associates lower at £473,000 (£593,000). Earnings a share work out at 2.8p compared with 3.1p. The hoard ascribes the turn-over increase largely to effects

of inflation. The interim dividend is 1.29p

Bibby & Baron

Following last year's record results Bibby & Baron (Hold-ings), the Lancashire-based the source of raw materials et results Bibby & Baron (Hold-Ellesmere Port, near Liverpool. When full production of non-metallic atrapping is reached early in the new year, Lawco-Avistrap will be well placed to doubled taxable profits in the coupled with fewer opportuni-

profits at the pretax level work out at £260,000, compared with £110,000, after charging higher depreciation of £299,000 (£206,000) and interest charges of £97,400 (£64,000). The in-terim dividend is being raised from 1p to 1.34p, but this is largely in reduce the disparity

between interim and final pay-Amsterdam Rbr agree Beristord bid

News bas already been given that S. & W. Berisford through its Netherlands-based offsboot Catz Interoational was making an offer for Amsterdam Rubber. This was all cash and worth £1.35m and the management of

AR oow recommends all share-bolders to accept.

The offer is being made by Catz on hebalf of a new wholly owned subsidiary of Berisford incorporated in the Netherlands.

Harland's qualified

Annual accounts of Harland & Wolff cootains an auditors' qualification in thet they are unable to express an opinion on the adequacy of the provision of some £44.7m for present estimete of losses to completion of contracts. Consequently they are unable to form an opinion whether the accounts overall truly reflect the state of the company as et December 31, 1973, and of its loss for the year

ties for exceptional out-of-port ectivities, meaor that taxable profits of Ocean Wilsons (Holdings) rose by only £17,000 to £767,000 in the balf to July 31 even though turnover improved from £11.2m m £14.8m.

Present indications are that full-year profit will not be less than last term's £1.61m. The market value of investments was £1.92m at the end of the balf, against £3.23m a year

Tomkinsons' surplus

A revaluation of the land end buildings of Tomkinsons (Holdings), carpet manufacturers, bas given a net surplus of £484,000 which has been credited to

But on the profits front things are not so bright with the pre-tax in the year to Seprember 28 down by 34 per cent, from £915,000 to £603,000, our of turnover increased from £7.3m to £7.9m. Earnings were 10.9p (18.5p) a sbare and the dividend is 5.47p (5.25p), the same

KLEEN-E-ZE Interim pre-tax £125,000 (£155,000). Dividend 1.31p (1.25p).

THOMAS HARDMAN

For six months to October 5
turcover £357,000 (£295,000) and
pre-tax £33,000 (£49,000). Margins
eroded end future "impooderable", say board, but they expect
to raise mtal dividend from 2.2p
last term.

ATTWOOD GARAGES Drop in ioterim pre-tax from 645,000 to £21,000 and board states likely full results will be luwer. Earnings 0.48p (1.11p) a share with dividend 0.91p (0.87p), the same

Brokers'views

A review of prospects for chemicals shares from Williams de Broe Hill Chaplin follows bard on the beels of last week's report on third-quarter trading at ICL It gives warning that Fi Actuaries Chemicals Index has outstripped the fall in the marthis relative weakness cao he expected to continue, because slackening demand as new plant is commissioned will hit

Profits.

Bur Hill Chaplin recommends
bolding ahares in ICI, Croda
International and Laporte Industries, where it thinks presby other factors. The suspect unes no the chemical pitch.
Chaplin thinks, are the shares of Fisons, and Hickson Welch, where current ratings overestimate future profits growth, and of British Oxygen, where an additional factor is the future "composition and funding".

Only shares in Albright & Wilson, Yorkshire Chemicals and Coalite and Chemical are seen as definite "huys"—and in the case of the last-named, the meculative negure of the the speculetive neture of the situation is emphasized.
Hill Chaplin also takes a look

at both Tesco Smres (Holdings) and House of Fraser, in the light of their respective tradiog recommended as a "bold"—on the grounds that cost-cutting, ability now to raise gross margins and planned increases in selliog area will enable Tesco to resist the defensive trend of the industry. For the full year 1974-5, pre-tax profit of £21.4m is predicted. Fraser is also

seeo as a "hold" The outlook for the brewers at a time of disappointing beer sales, and lean times ahead for the customers, has attracted market interest. Both Fielding Newson-Smith (in its annual

survey of major brewers) and Gerald Hodgson Fuller examine the problem at length this week. They agree that the brewery sector should probably main tain its premium raring. Bass Charrington is recommended by both firms. Fielding also sees Allied Breweries as a

buy", but Fuller is wary of the group, chiefly because of the Trust Houses Forte stake. And on the other side of the scales Fuller sees shares in Scomish & Newcastle as a "sall" in a period of bard competition among the brewera and misfortunes for the bureliers.
Gloomy predictions for the
United Kingdom and Western
economies are nor hard to find. Phillips & Drew sees the " worst recession in private investment since the thirties depression"

and expects emergency measures hefore next spring. Kemp-Gee regards an economic crisis as probable rather then possible, and advise inves-tors to run fur cash. Rowe & Pitman compares the present bear market to the Great War and urges us ro maintain liquidity and buy "survival equines"— by which it means the overseas earners like BATs, Distillers and EMI.

Simon & Coates finds no reason ro be bopeful for either gilts or equities. Almost the struck by Charterhnuse Group, whose business forecast predicts that the current pressures on industry will provide a bealthier basis for expansion io 1976.

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Weekly list of fixed interest stocks

# **American Financial** will sell Bantam to Fiat interests

ner, American Financial chair. for the year. man and president.

A United States subsidiary of

American Financial sequired Bantam through a merger with Napiocal Geoeral Corporation to 1973. AF said from the outset that it iotended to dispose of Bantam, a major publisher of paperhack books, along with other con-financial assets of National Geoeral.

With the sale of Bantam, those dispositions will be completed, he said. Previously, the company sold a theatre chain, a movie-distribution enterprise, and another publisher.

Bantam books will have sales are up from £193,000 to £307,0 on turnover up from £1.3m

in 1974 of batween \$15m and \$80m and is baving its most profitable year evec.
The remaining asset acquired through the National General merger, and the major reason for making that transaction, is that Great American Inducance

Bank Base

Rates

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FNFC ..... 13 %

Hill Samuel .... ●121%

C. Hoare & Co .. \*12 %

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Midland Bank .. 12 %

Nat Westminster 12 %

Shenley Trust .. 121%

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Committee. Demands deposits, 1112% £10,000 and over, 7-day deposits in excess of \$10,000 up in \$25,000 \$20'a'c over \$25,000 10'a'c.

Cincinnati, Dec 1.—American Co, the casualty insurance Financial Corporation has group, contrary to the experi-agreed to sell Bantam Books agreed to sell Bantam Books year, had a record profit for inc to a Luxembourg holding the first nine months, be went company associated with Fiat on. Indications are that the Interests for \$70m cash and fourth quarter also will be notes, reports Mr Carl H. Lind- strong, producing record results

American Financial, a finan-cial holding company, expects to derive about 60 per cent of IFI International SA will pay 560m in cash, plus \$10m in owns guaranteed by IFI, he added. Closing is scheduled for December 20.

IFI is a company in which the Agnelli family, which controls Fist, the Italian carmaker, has a major interest. Among its many assets are holdings in Fiat-Fahhri, a major newspaper publisher, various insurance enterprises, a cement producer, and other investments,—AP-DJ.

Although ioterim pre-tax profits of Silkolene Lubricants are up from £193,000 to £307,000 on turnover up from £1.3m to £2.07m, the group is under considerable cash flow pressure, as costs rise. The board hopes that tha present leval of margins can he maintained for the rest of the year. The dividend is up from 0.6Sp to 0.7p.

#### The Times Share Indices

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# **Charter Consolidated** Limited

Change of Address—

**Share Registration Department** 

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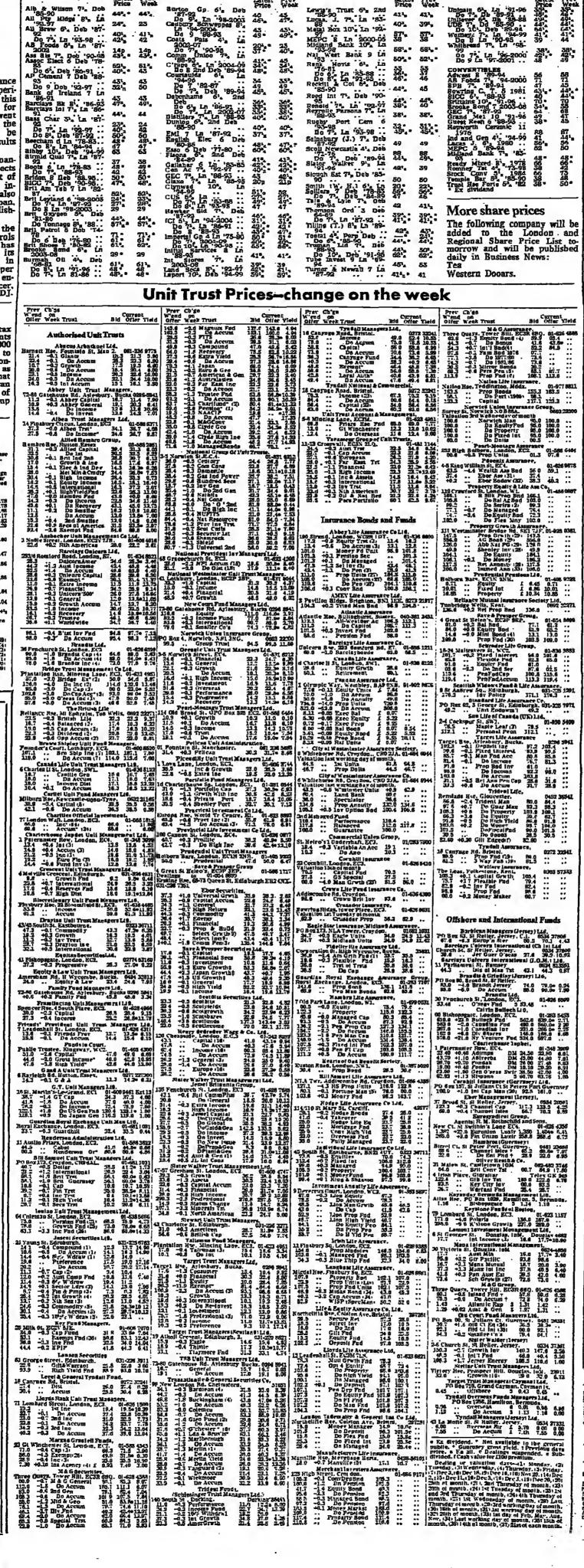
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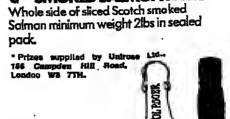
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